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Class of 2000's spirit lights the skies

BY MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

The class of 2000 started the school year off with a bang. The new students were treated to a spectacular fireworks display, courtesy of the 1996 orientation staff. The event took place at the football stadium on the final evening of the four-day program.

Made up of 111 upperclassmen, the staff trained for eight days to prepare for the new students. During this time, seminars on communication, stress management, group dynamics and new student concerns were presented by the steering committee. The staff also enjoyed activities which allowed them to build a strong community among themselves.

While the workshops, discussions, games and cheers were all highlights of the program, many agreed that the fireworks captured the true spirit of orientation.

This is the first time the orientation program has sponsored such an event. "This is an extremely unique class," said Student Chairperson Ryan Smith. "We wanted to try something drastically different for the class of 2000."

The day's festivities also included a Commissioning Liturgy at which the new students officially became members of the University family. In his opening speech, Administrative Coordinator Kevin Downing emphasized the transition from "new student" to "fellow student," from "follower" to "leader." The Mass was celebrated by Fr. Ed Hastings, O.S.A., who "got down" with the new students before his Homily.

After Mass came the traditional hoagie picnic on Mendel field. The new students, energized by the meal, participated in water balloon fights and volleyball games.

Because the football team was not available for the usual blue vs. white game, a hypnotist mesmerized the new students and the staff at the duPont Pavilion.

Afterward, the grand finale exceeded all expectations. With music blaring and the staff dancing in unison, the football stadium was transformed into an arena. The new students chanted the cheers that haunted them during the program while the staff looked on with pride. "There is an incredible growth from the first day to the closing," said Smith.

Suddenly the lights went down and the cheering subsided. After a brief moment of silence and anticipation, the sky exploded with colors. The new students, unable to remain seated in the bleachers, flooded the field.

After the display ended, a "Class of 2000" sign was ignited, with fireworks exploding from all sides. This incredible closure represented the pride of the students and staff. The new students truly experienced the University community they had heard of so frequently during orientation.

The time for goodbyes soon came. Orientation counselors were carried out of the stadium by their groups, new students embraced, and staff members snapped photos

PHOTO BY MELISSA SODOLSKI

The four-day orientation program was intended to acclimate the freshmen to their new surroundings. This year's session was capped off by a fireworks display.

Dr. Cardelli remembered

COURTESY OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

Dr. Jason Cardelli died unexpectedly on May 14.

Press Release

Dr. Jason A. Cardelli, assistant professor of astronomy and astrophysics at the University, died suddenly on May 14. He was 41.

Cardelli began teaching at the University in January of 1995. He taught courses in the fundamentals of astrophysics as well as the astronomy courses "Planets to Quasars," "The Sun and Stars" and astronomy laboratory sections.

The Media, Pa. resident was a highly respected researcher and an international leader on studies of the interstellar medium (ISM)--the dust and gas between the stars in our galaxy and beyond. His work on the ISM, the material from which stars are born, was cited extensively. The astronomer had developed methods that enabled the first detection of heavy metals such as tin in space. He was currently involved in research for NASA on five major grants totaling more than $177,000, and was scheduled to present three professional papers this June. Despite his young age, he had published more than 75 publications and papers.

Cardelli held a Ph.D. and master's degrees in astronomy from the University of Washington and a bachelor's degree in astronomy from the University of Illinois.

Before joining the University faculty, he was a researcher in the astronomy department at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Prior to that position, he worked as a project scientist under contract for the Hubble Space Telescope, calibrating the instrument and assessing its performance.

Cardelli was the founder of the North American Small Telescope Cooperative (NASTeC), which provides a valuable resource for both individual and institution users of small to intermediate-size telescopes. NASTeC helps them obtain data for astronomical research in collaboration with programs centered on the International Ultraviolet Explorer and the Hubble Space Telescope. Twice a year, he produced a comprehensive, technical publication for NASTeC. He also founded and directed the Association of Research Astronomers, which brought professional attention to employment issues facing non-academic professionals.

His various honors included the Space Telescope Science Institute Visiting Scientist Award in 1994, and in 1991, he received a five-year grant for the NASA Long-Term Space Astrophysics Research Program. Cardelli was also a member of the Goddard High Resolution Spectrograph team. This instrument, the GHRS, is an important mechanism on the Hubble Space Telescope used for detailed analysis of chemical abundances in space. In 1991, his team earned the NASA Hubble Space Telescope/GHRS Group Achievement Award for their effort.

His various memberships include the American Astronomical Society Nominating Committee, Ultraviolet Management Operations Working Group and the International Ultraviolet Explorer Users Committee.

On-campus alcohol offenses taken seriously

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Assistant News Editor

"There is no new alcohol policy at the University," said Fr. John Stack, O.S.A., dean of Students. The only alterations are more severe sanctions for students who have committed an offense.

The open container and keg fines doubled per person from $25 to $50 and $100 to $200, respectively. All of these guidelines, along with the rest of the policy, can be found on page 25 of the University's 1996-97 Blue Book.

These collected fines go toward Drug and Alcohol Education programs, such as speakers and other prevention programs. The decision to change the sanctions was made by the Student Life division of the Alcohol Task Force Committee, headed by the University's president, Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A.

Stack said that alcohol consumption at the University is a problem. "It seems like students feel it is their God given right to drink at college. The law of [no drinking until you are] 21 seems not to be a concern. . . If we knew that everyone would drink responsibly we might have a University cocktail hour."

"Kids do not think that drinking itself is wrong," said Stack, who believes that irresponsible drinking leads

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FEATURES

Finally, a really quite humorous top 10 list for a change (well, at least mildly amusing). Also, for all you freshmen out there still looking for a major, check out Major Trouble's look at history. As it turns out, despite what you learned in high school, stuff really did happen after World War II. For anyone out there who has ever dreamed of punching one of the peddlers in front of Kennedy, check out the article on page 13.

ENTERTAINMENT

Looking for something to do this weekend? Check out the full page spread on stuff to do in Philly. From museums to clubs, it's all there, and there's a map too. If you take it with you downtown, you can look like one of those really cool tourists who all the muggers stay away from. Also, find out why in the world our reviewer didn't like the Brady Bunch movie sequel.

SPORTS

The Cats almost took D-1 opponent Rutgers last week but fell short due to some passes thrown to the wrong color jerseys. And speaking of jerseys, check out the new deal Nova is on the verge of signing with Nike. Reportedly, every student will be forced to wear a swoosh on his shirt and anyone caught wearing Reeboks will be flogged. But, of course, some details still need to be worked out. Finally, Klick goes on a tirade.

New concentration innaugerated

Press Release

On Wednesday, Sept.18, the Rev. Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A., will formally inaugurate a Russian/Area Studies Concentration (RASCON). The ceremony will take place at 1:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room and will be followed by a conference of diplomats, political scientists and other scholars from the United States and Russia. Among them are the Honorable Jack Matlock, former U.S. ambassador to Russia and the Soviet Union; the Honorable Sergei Panchekin, first secretary of the Russian Embassy to the United States; Dr. Lilia Shevtsova, political analyst and senior associate of the Carnegie Endowment, Moscow; and Dr. Blair Ruble, director of the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies. The topic of the conference is "Understanding Russian-American Relations after the Cold War."

The RASCON inauguration conference will provide an opportunity for academics, students and journalists to probe beyond the headlines. They can hear and question experts who commute between Washington, D.C., and Moscow regularly and have firsthand knowledge of Russia's political, social and economic conditions.

For University political science professor Dr. Jeffrey Hahn, director of the RASCON program, this opportunity to explore the new Russia comes not a moment too soon.

In 1991, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics dissolved into its constituent 15 republics, the largest of which is the Russian Federation. The Federation consists of 21 republics and is surrounded by 14 wholly independent states. As Russia ceased to be a military and political threat, many American universities and colleges began to reduce and, in many cases, eliminate their Russian studies programs.

Hahn finds this trend disturbing. "Although the Cold War is over, Americans actually need to know more about Russia, not less," he said. "In the Cold War days, the bipolar relationship we had with Russia, while not friendly, was at least predictable. Now, Russia's domestic situation is unstable, and, if that were to take an unpredictable turn, it could seriously affect that country's already complex relations with the rest of the world, especially the United States."

The health of President Boris Yeltsin is an ongoing question. Chechnya, one of the republics in the Russian federation, is fighting for full independence in a bloody, unpopular war. Other states within the federation are, like Chechnya, populated by non-Russians. Some of these may decide to assert their ethnic identities and to seek independence. And there is the questionable state of the Russian economy.

However, with all its problems, Russia still has the potential to recover its superpower status in the next century. It has a universally literate population, its scientific establishment is world class and its cultural heritage is second to none.

To pretend that Russia is no longer a "major player" in the world is a foolish, short-sighted notion, Hahn believes. Americans, especially young Americans who will be the leaders of the 21st century, need to learn as much as they can about this complex giant, which straddles the continents of Europe and Asia and shares a border with the Peoples Republic of China. From philosophical, political and cultural points of view, it is in the vital interest of all Americans to understand what and who makes Russia tick.

A distinguished group of University faculty members has joined Hahn to teach in the RASCON program. They are experts in various aspects of Russian politics, history, economics, language and culture: Dr. Zoia Korsum, Russian Language and Literature, Dr. Adele Lindenmeyr, history, Dr. Joseph Loya, O.S.A., theology, Dr. Hafeez Malik, political science, Dr. Miron Wolnicki and Dr. Kenneth Taylor of economics and Dr. Denis Wilde, O.S.A., music. Guest lectures from other institutions and agencies will also contribute. In addition, the University has been awarded a U.S.I.A.-sponsored social science partnership program with Nizhny Novgorod State University. This exchange program is expected to begin in the fall of 1997.

The RASCON program is open to all undergraduates. To complete the concentration, each student must take 24 credit hours including two semesters of intermediate level Russian language and five electives chosen from courses in history, literature, political science, economics, religious studies and art and art history,. In addition, each student must take a three-credit interdisciplinary seminar.

Students partake in local march for the rights of the poor and homeless

BY CALISTA HARDEN
Assistant News Editor

From "Ridge Mason to Ridge's Mansion," the Kensington Welfare Rights Union marched to the state capital last week with some assistance from Villanova students. Senior My Padmalingam participated in the march. The Villanova Community Partnership Corp (VCPC), led by junior Frannie Mikolajewski and sophomore Isis Misdary, with help from Campus Ministry, arranged a rest stop for this "March for Our Lives," a protest to recent medical and welfare cuts in Pennsylvania. Marchers, most of them poor and/or homeless, were served dinner at the stop in front of Jake Nevin Sunday, Aug. 25 after 20 miles of their 140 mile journey.

Mikolajewski made pasta and sauce for the marchers. The participants were also served fruit and drinks, provided by the Dining Services. Members of the march were grateful not only that they received a nutritious meal but that they had some support in the college community for their movement to help people out of poverty. "When the little kids tugged on your shirt asking 'May I have a piece of orange,' you felt so connected to them that you realized that this struggle was not just theirs but yours also," said sophomore Theresa Ladrigan, who volunteered at the site.

A rally in North Philadelphia started the march with Patricia Ireland from the National Organization Of Women (NOW) speaking and some local politicians present. The marchers donned stickers, buttons and tee shirts with slogans and affirmations in memory of supporters, such as Faith Evans, State Sen. Roxanne Jones, State Rep. David Richardson, Kathleen Sullivan, and Johnnie Tillman, who died this year. The march voiced the concerns of the Kensington Welfare Rights Union which is an organization of poor and homeless people fighting for affordable housing and ways out of indigence. The Kensington Welfare Rights Union is noted for Tent City, which is a tract of tents for people who have been turned away from the overcrowded Philadelphia shelter system.

The Union moves "to end poverty and end the attack on the poor." In the same spirit, VCPC works regularly with this organization and the Philadelphia Union of the Homeless.

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Donahue Hall makes many vast improvements

By CLAIRE REHWINKEL
News Editor

Roughly $2 million worth of renovations to Donahue Hall took place throughout the summer. Improvements to the South Campus dining hall include a food court, a convenience store, an ATM machine, copy machines and extended hours. The project, which had been planned for nearly two years, was brought about largely through the efforts of the University's departments of Facilities Management and Dining Services.

"The project is the result of the recognition that Donahue Hall needed renovations to handle the increasing number of students on campus," said Michael McGuckin, product and marketing manager for Villanova Dining Services. Consequently, an international consulting group was brought in and many student organizations, including the Student Government Association (SGA) and Villanova Quality Improvement (VQI), supplied ideas and helped set the construction underway.

"The construction began the Monday after classes ended last spring and the goal was to be finished by the 15th [of August]," said John Gallen, executive director of Facilities Management. "This is a short period of time to complete such a large project. Considering this, we've accomplished a lot, but the convenience store will not be opened until Sept. 10," he added.

Donahue Hall's meal service program also underwent a facelift. The cafeteria is now a seven stationed food court. The first station is now referred to as "The Good Earth" and serves as a health bar with a selection of vegetarian entrees. The second is "Padre's Pizza" and the third is "Heavenly Wings and Other Things," similar to a Boston Market. There is also the "Fryery"(cooking cheesesteaks, burgers and such), a made-to-order deli and "Traditions" (featuring the normal meal plan cycle, as in Dougherty or St. Mary's Halls. "The idea is to give students a wide variety of choices while keeping certain pre-set menus that people can count on,"said McGuckin.

Before renovations, the South Campus hall's dishroom was "small and inefficient" and trays were carted to the kitchen to be cleaned, said McGuckin. The improved building is equipped with a new tray drop-off window and a mechanized conveyor belt into the dishroom.

Half of the new facilities will shut down by 8 p.m. The convenience store, copy machines and ATM machine will remain open later, as well as areas for study sessions and group meetings.

Another new feature to Donahue Hall is the addition of the "Picnic Grove" with outdoor tables and three grills. Students under the University's meal plan now have the opportunity to submit their names to Dining Services and to be supplied with hamburgers, hotdogs, chips and other food for a barbecue meal.

"The finished product looks great,"said McGuckin. "It is a rich looking serving area, constructed with quality materials. It's really got a beautiful look."

Similar renovations for modernizing and upgrading Dougherty Hall's facilities are currently on the drawing board. Plans include decreasing kitchen space, increasing dining space and ridding of the ramp at the hall's entrance. Improvements to Dougherty Hall are hoped to be completed by 2000.

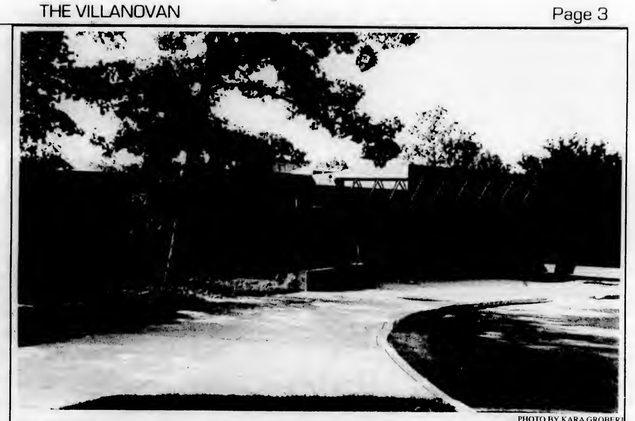

PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

The improvements and additions made to the South campus dining facility seem to be a success

Alcohol punishments

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to vandalism, violence and sexual assaults. Stack said that "18 to 20 year olds are not responsible drinkers" and that the old sanctions were not effective. Consequently, the old methods of limiting underage drinking on campus have been modified.

Stack believes the "culture" on campus accepts and promotes underage drinking. This year the University will be sending more letters home to parents, protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, also explained in the Blue Book.

There is no "black and white" method to assigning disciplinary probation to students, said Stack. He added that each student's record is reviewed and everyone is entitled to some mistakes.

"People know how to drink responsibly. They just choose not to," said Stack, adding that limiting on-campus drinking does not encourage off-campus drinking. "We're not making students drink at all," he said.

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Homecoming plans segregate Villanova family

There is going to be a big surprise come November for those Villanovans who thought Homecoming could not possibly be any worse than it was last year. Instead of last year's system where there was one segregated picnic with only a fence separating those of age from those not of age, there will be two entirely unrelated picnics, one for alumni and seniors and one for everyone else. These two gatherings will not even take place within sight of one another, with one on Sheehan Beach and the other on Mendel field.

We are always hearing about the need for more community activities at the University and that students and alumni alike are supposed to all be a part of one big Villanova family. And yet the Homecoming Planning Committee has come up with this ghetto system where interaction is at best discouraged and at worst impossible.

What makes this rotten situation even worse is the fact that the committee has the audacity to patronize the students it is meant to serve by asking for input only after the particulars of the event have already been finalized. As a cover, the committee may point to the opinions of the focus groups it interviewed after last year's Homecoming as providing the basis for this year's plans. The error in doing so is that many of the members of those groups were graduating seniors; therefore there was little incentive for them to voice concerns regarding the 4,500 students who will be barred from socializing with the alumni in any meaningful way.

Another rationale for this forced separation is to stop the under aged drinking that the committee assumes will run rampant on campus if the two groups are allowed to mingle. The problem lies in the fact that most of the drinking on Homecoming goes on in dorm rooms and apartments, not on Sheehan Beach. No plan can do anything about this, but the committee is apparently satisfied with the window dressing the two picnic system provides.

The next meeting of the Homecoming Planning Committee will take place Sept. 18 at 10 a.m. in the first floor conference room of the Financial Services Building. While it may seem premature to be discussing Homecoming in September, it might actually be too late. In effect, the structure for Homecoming was decided even before school let out for the summer. But it is not too late to voice discontent.

'Nova Poll

What did you think of St. Thomas of Villanova Day?

What was its greatest accomplishment or failure?

Was it worth the effort?

Should an event like it be scheduled annually?

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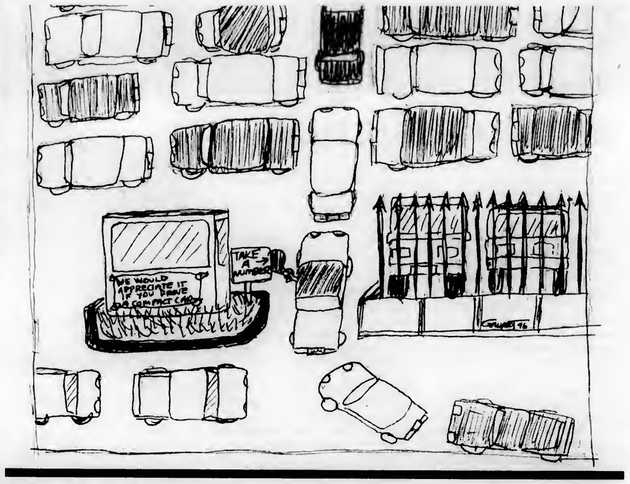

L E T T E R S

Computer system deemed inadequate by Student Government

To the Editor:

In recent months we have become quite excited by the promises that University Information Technology (UNIT) has disseminated to our student body describing the vast array of computer services that are to be available. However, we are gravely concerned that UNIT is not meeting its promises. In addition to being very slow, our student e-mail system is very difficult to access which leaves some students, who rely on e-mail as a vital part of their day, stranded. Our student server and dorm connectivity are always on the brink of crashing, in a sense, failing the very people who need it the most. While the students working at the help desk are very competent and to date have done an admirable job, the situation needs improvement.

Regardless of these problems with the infrastructure, our biggest concern with UNIT is that they made promises they simply have not kept. Last year our community was told that if we were able to bear with the current system in the short term, by next year a new structure would be in place that was easier to use and faster to run. As if to reaffirm this promise, a mailing was sent to all students over the summer to let them know how much better the computing situation would become. While we recognize that it is early in the year, when the essential systems like e-mail and dorm connectivity aren't working form the start, UNIT has failed in its mission.

We are tired of the promises, it is time for results.

Pete Acton
Student Body President

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Student Body Vice President

The Editorial Board of The Villanovan encourages members of the faculty to write commentary pieces on any subject matter.

Just drop off your article by Tuesday afternoon or call the office at x97206

From the Net

Just wanted to let you know that I'm thrilled to find that the *The Villanovan* will now be on the Net. As an alumnus, I've missed keeping up with what's going on on campus. When September hits, I'll be sure to check it out on a regular basis.

Looking forward to hearing the latest. . .

Brian McGann

Congratulations on bringing *The Villanovan* onto the Internet. When I worked on the paper, we used to cut and paste articles late into the evening on Tuesday nights. (Actually, we used Scotch tape). I believe dinosaurs still roamed the earth in this period of history.

Dante J. Scala

It has been more than 20 years since I've had easy access to the Main Line campus. The Internet makes me feel once again part of the campus community. Thank you for this service.

I am one of 115 alumni here in the beautiful bluegrass state of Kentucky. It is just too far for me to make it to the reunion events, but since the computer up in the loft of my old Kentucky home is already paid for, I can visit 'Nova on the Internet. When I went to Villanova, they still made you fill out punch cards to do computing

Keep those Internet services coming. If you do, I'll try to sway some of Rick Pitino's bluechippers to head to the Main Line.

Chuck Spataro

Letters

The Villanovan encourages all members of the University community to express opinions through "Letters to the Editor." The Villanovan will print "Letters" received in its office in 201 Dougherty Hall prior to the weekly deadline, Tuesday at 2 p.m. All letters must be signed and include address, phone number and social security number. All letters must be typed and double spaced. The Villanovan reserves the right to edit all letters. Letters will be accepted via E-mail at the address "editor@villanovan.vill.edu." Letters may also be sent by mail to ***The Villanovan****, Villanova University, Villanova, Pa. 19085.*

C O M M E N T A R Y

University President stresses need for community

By the REV. EDMUND DOBBIN

I am pleased to welcome all new and returning students to Villanova's 1996-97 academic year. Those of us who work on campus during the summer months often remark about the quiet and stillness which descend upon the campus during this time. Granted that the summer respite is a welcome one, there is no doubt that each of us shares in the enthusiasm, excitement and sense of new challenge which your presence brings back to campus.

An important event occurred on campus this summer. The University's Board of Trustees dedicated its entire six-hour summer meeting to an in depth discussion of the Report of the University Alcohol Task Force entitled Changing the Campus Culture on Alcohol Use and Abuse. You may recall that this Task Force consisting of students, faculty and administrators worked for over a year gathering and analyzing information and exploring possible strategies to deal with what has become a significant problem, not only at Villanova, but nationally as well.

The Task Force had studied the results of a variety of recent national reports as well as Villanova University student data collected through an internal survey administered in May, 1995 comparing Villanova students with national statistics. The Task Force concluded that "alcohol abuse among the college population in the United States is widespread, and that alcohol abuse by Villanova University undergraduates is higher than at comparable institutions and the national average."

Even more alarming was the Task Force conclusion that the problem was of such magnitude that it was interfering with the accomplishment of two fundamental purposes of the University as stated in the University Mission Statement: "the transmission, the pursuit, the discovery of knowledge" and "developing and sustaining an academic environment in which the potentialities of all its members may be realized". Hence the attention and, I can assure you, continued ardent interest of the University's governing board, the Board of Trustees.

By the time the Board met in June its members had already studied the Task Force Report, the statistics and several of the national studies. At the meeting they moved rapidly to a probing discussion of the underlying social and societal causes and possible remedies for a very complex problem. It became clear in our deliberations that the solution will entail nothing less than a cultural transformation with all of us working collaboratively - trustees, administration, faculty, students and student groups as well as alumni and the local community.

Three ingredients of such a cultural transformation come to the fore repeatedly in national conversations on the topic: (1) a deepened sense of community which the students crave to offset the fragmentation of their lives; (2) tighter linkages between the academic and extracurricular lives of the students to ensure that their college communities are truly "learning communities"; this would entail among other things a more active participation of faculty in the extracurricular life of students; (3) increased emphasis on student volunteer service.

The emphasis on student service in this context is due to the recognition that the most potent remedy to student alcohol abuse is students taking responsibility for one another. Just as peer pressure plays a major role in the problem, peer support and challenge is a key to the solution. Student volunteerism has been enormously successful in sensitizing students to the needs of their peers.

In effect response to this serious problem is summoning the Villanova community to live its own mission more faithfully. As we all know community is the underlying, unifying theme of Villanova's Augustinian legacy. Service is the hallmark of a university under the patronage of Saint Thomas of Villanova. None of this is new to us, nor has it been absent from Villanova. Building community is an ongoing collaborative enterprise demanding sustained effort but yielding great rewards. Several years ago an important national report was released by The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching entitled Campus Life: in Search of Community. Although the report was addressed to the national community of higher education, it is an excellent articulation and application of Villanova's own longstanding concern for community. The report proposes six principles which are intended to provide a formula for and definition of an ideal university community:

1. A college or university is an educationally *purposeful* community, a place where faculty and students share academic goals and work together to strengthen teaching and learning on the campus.

2. A college or university is an *open* community, a place where freedom of expression is uncompromisingly protected and where civility is powerfully affirmed.

3. A college or university is a *just* community, a place where the sacredness of each person is honored and where diversity is aggressively pursued.

4. A college or university is a *disciplined* community, a place where individuals accept their obligations to the group and where well-defined governance procedures guide behavior for the common good.

5. A college or university is a *caring* community, a place where the well-being of each member is sensitively supported and where service to others is encouraged.

6. A college or university is a *celebrative* community, a place where rituals affirming both tradition and change are widely shared.

As we begin this academic year I invite the entire University community to join in reaffirming our commitment to this lofty ideal.

Presidential hopefuls offer a clearly defined choice

By JOE PATTERSON

While it's true that political conventions have mutated into little more than partisan chearleading sessions, the rallies of the past month gave insight into what is developing into an interesting presidential contest.

Bill Clinton still holds a lead in the polls, but even by the end of the Democratic extravaganza, no one knew what a Clinton second term would mean.

The liberal factions within the Democratic Party hope that, unchecked by the prospects of re-election, he will revert to the liberal brand of governing that typified his political life prior to the past two years. And moderates hope that the more centrist positions that allowed him to stage a mid-term resurrection will prevail.

The only truth that emerged was that he hasn't fully abandoned his activist approach. After declaring that the era of big government was over, he used his speech time to list dozens of busy-body government solutions to the ailments of society.

Regardless, Clinton is favored to do what no Democratic president has done in 52 years -- win re-election. While he deserves admiration for his propensity for comebacks, he ironically has remained politically viable largely because he has been a failure. His socialistic health care package was dealt a bloody defeat by Congress, as was his 1993 broad "stimulus" package. Most of his social engineering has been shelved in favor of a rhetoric more typical of Dan Quayle.

Where would he stand in the public eye if he had been successful in his initial attempt to swing the nation radically leftward? In fact, many of his proclaimed "accomplishments" he listed at the convention were crafted by the Republican Congress, which, admittedly, he helped put in office.

But this wasn't the most interesting aspect that the conventions expressed. Behind the "big tents," behind the victims that were paraded across the respective stages, and behind the excessive platitudes, a good political race has emerged.

Bob Dole has surprised his neasayers with a political savvy once thought to be monopolized by Mr. Clinton. After trudging through the primary season, he has energized his campaign with a fundamental challenge to the status quo. Not only has his tax proposal set economic hopes ablaze, his choice of a forward-looking VP coupled with his ability to reconcile the various factions of his party has allowed him to cut the president's lead in half. The senior citizen is now the one with a vision while the much younger Clinton offers minor adjustments to a failing system.

It remains to be seen whether Dole will successfully get his message out. A poll taken last spring of the Washington media showed that only four percent considered themselves conservative while less than 10 percent voted for George Bush. It was more than a coincidence that delegates at the Democratic convention cheered an image of a press helicopter touching down.

The Patterson Perspective

But despite the advantage Mr. Clinton might gain from a friendly press corps, he is still poltically viable because of a new voter attitude that has de-linked the politician from the politics.

America no longer wants a leader, with an exception possibly made for a Colin Powell-type hero. Instead, what is desired is someone practiced in the art of commiseration, even if it's known to be just an act. Witness a recent poll that claimed that the majority of Americans do not trust Clinton. The same poll also stated that the majority of Americans think he is doing a good job. No matter what type of math you employ, something is wrong.

There now seems to exist a numbness to improprieties, bred by years of political shenanigans. The myriad of scandals that persistently dog politicians are quickly dismissed as relatively unimportant. Simply put, we don't care about ethical behavior, we just want to be reassured that someone cares, that someone "feels our pain."

As long as the economy is okay, the masses are happy. Never mind that many of the federal entitlements are ticking time bombs that could threaten the nation's economic security. An activist government is able to sedate us with promises of pseudo-rights, and we seem willing to accept their "generosity" without weighing the full implications.

The recent welfare bill demonstrated that the nation may be waking up, but there's a tough battle to be waged before government will return the power and responsibility that we were so willing to give up.

November 1996 will answer a lot of questions. Despite the political posturing that will take place over the next two months, it's important not fall victim to the scourge of apathy. Neither candidate is ideal, but there is certainly a choice. And that choice will effect us and our children.

Life will continue to function regardless of who wins. But this election does give us, as a nation, a chance to set our priorities. If the status quo is good enough, Clinton deserves to win in a landslide. If not, Bob Dole may accomplish his own comeback heroics.

Races lack spice

By MARC ANGELACCIO

This time of year is great for a lot of reasons. The days are warm, the nights are cool. On the weekends there's football. Baseball has its pennant races. And, this year, if you haven't yet noticed, there is a presidential campaign. Not much of one, but it's there.

So, how do we know there is a presidential race in our midst? For starters, both the republicans and the democrats have had their stagnant, coming out pep rallies known as national conventions. Everyone should know what they are. We've heard so much about them in the past couple of weeks. They're those little gatherings in big cities like San Diego and Chicago that occur every four years in which a group of people known as either republicans or democrats put on a kind of party to persuade you to buy their political goods. They're like info-mercials with a lot of balloons and drunken politicians.

As far as info-mercials are concerned, however, I think I'd rather watch Bruce Jenner sell the Ab Roller or Dionne Warwick tell me about her psychic friends than watch the ones that were shown by the elephants and the donkeys in the past month. Simply stated: They were as boring to watch as the Weather Channel. Actually, the Weather Channel can be exciting during hurricane season. In fact, they were even painful to watch. I think I would rather have a hernia operation than be forced to watch either convention.

It might just be me. I'm not much of a political enthusiast, especially when it comes to party politics in which each side tries to explain why it is right and good and the other side is wrong and bad. Thus, any four-day event which harbors these tactics is not going to stimulate too much excitement in me. Even so, there were ways in which each convention could have been spiced up enough to coerce me into watching. Over the last couple of weeks I've come up with a few ideas as to how these political debutante balls could have been a little more interesting. Here are some of the events I thought of:

1. Tipper Gore vs. Hillary Clinton in the first ever Democratic Convention Steel Cage Match. The slightly heavier Tipper would be the pre-match favorite.

2. The original *Electric Boogaloo* dance-off between Newt Gingrich and Colin Powell. The winner receives a free boom box, a lifetime supply of cardboard and Alphonso Ribiero's Breakin' and Poppin' Kit.

3. Cheers. The same ones that Villanova freshmen are required to do during orientation, done by all delegates as they announce their nominations. "Hey American Samoa, can you do it?"

4. Ralph Reed and Pat Buchanan vs. Bob Dole and Jack Kemp in the first ever Conservative vs. Moderate Tackle Football Game. If the conservatives win, the moderates have to read the Bible. If the opposite occurs, the conservatives have to do the Macarena for three hours straight.

5. A tequila drink-off between the delegates from Guam and Puerto Rico. The winner is eligible to become the 51st state. No Kennedys allowed on either squad.

Undoubtedly, these events would make the conventions much more interesting to watch. Not only would they make the conventions more interesting, they would make the political figures running them more interesting. For if there is anything missing in this year's race for the presidency, it's interest. The American public, myself included, seems to be lulled to sleep by this year's presidential campaigns. A look at the TV ratings for the conventions or the somewhat unwavering polls that are handing Clinton another four years in office show the lack of enthusiasm for each campaign and its candidate.

On the Marc

Why should we be interested in this year's main political battle anyway? There are no scandals, no heated verbal volleys, no inner-party strife, no folksy third-party candidate, no issues. Sure, the Republicans have their tax cuts and balanced budget. The Democrats have their new-look family concerns. But these issues and ideas don't even rub up against each other.

In a time when Americans have become disheartened by their bi-party political system, more has to be done to stir the political emotions of America. The lack of interest in the national conventions should point this out. Even if the candidates alone can't do it, at least their campaigns should. Most Americans have an opinion and a voice. Those in charge of the race for the presidency should recognize this. They now have less than three months to do so.

C O M M E N T A R Y

Please bring the nuns back to Belle Air Terrace

BY ANN GAVAGHAN

In the past week, the three most common questions asked of most Villanovans were:

1. How was your summer?
2. Where are you living?
3. Would you like another Natty Light?

The three most common questions asked of me in the past week were:

1. Hey—didn't you graduate?
2. So what exactly do you call that hair color?
3. What are you going to do this year?

The first two are easy enough to answer: No, and orange (at least this week). It's No. 3 that's the stumper. Since I've probably already answered the first two, it's impossible for me to turn up my Walkman and pretend I didn't hear you. (Am I the only person out there who has worn a Walkman without listening to anything, just so I wouldn't have to talk to people?

Well, that, or my batteries die and I'm too lazy to take the headphones off).There are the trite, conversationally correct answers—take classes, work, attempt to graduate, dye my hair. I could be a wiseass and start a blow-by-blow description of my year, starting with my next class, going on to dinner, and ending with graduation (some four hours later). However, I believe this third question must be interpreted as, "What are you going to do to fulfill your role as a campus hell raiser, and will it be bigger and better than anything you have done here in three years previous?"

The simple answer is: Nuns.

Yes, nuns! When Connelly Center undertook its redecoration of the Belle Air Terrace two years ago, the walls were lined with pictures of the Sisters of Mary, as my Catholic-schooled parents informed me. Yet last summer, the beatific smiles of nuns were shamelessly ripped from the walls and replaced with the pained grimaces of Villanova athletes, looking as if they had just stepped out of the Nike commercial where the runner vomits. (Were you fortunate enough to catch it during NBC's prime-time Olympic coverage?

not just another load...

I wasn't sure whether the guy was vomiting due to his just-finished race, or the histrionic commentary of John Tesh.) The redecorators even went so far as to place a photo of the men's basketball team on the back wall, relegating the picture of Jim Croce with the singing priests to a darkened corner. Great basketball players may come and go, but there's only one bad, bad Leroy Brown. Belle Air Terrace has lost all its charm for me.

Yes, we used to laugh at the nuns, but we were young and foolish then. Little did we know how good we had it. These sisters were a symbol of Catholic pride. The new decorations make us appear like any generic university.

Take out the seal of Villanova and you could very well be at Georgetown or Syracuse. But it's not just an affirmation of our values that's important. It's the whole aesthetic of the situation as well.

When eating an Egg Nova sandwich, for example, it is far more pleasant to gaze upon the peaceful visages of the religious than the sweaty, piteous looks of the student athlete. Is it not better to study for an exam under the eye of the nuns?

One feels that they will be sure to put in a good word with God. Indeed, the nuns offer us daily hope of miracles—an A on that exam, the lotto jackpot, a sudden influx of activist liberals onto our campus. The picture of the basketball team can only offer memories of 1985 (a time many Villanova alumni claim was heaven on earth, however). Indeed, when it comes down to God or Lappas, one only need remember that Lappas can only damn you to an early exit from March Madness. That's as far as his power lies. So what have we done?

For a year most of us have hoped, and prayed, and waited in vain for the nuns to return. We have commented on the situation to our friends, maybe even joked about it with a Connelly Center employee or friend. But we should no longer be content with our passive resistance, our refusals to eat in front of any picture not containing Jim Croce and/or a member of a religious order, our mutters of complaints in the President's Lounge. It is time for action.

By now you're saying, "But Ann, what can I do to help out these woeful sisters?"

It's easy—and free! Call Connelly Center and tell them that you demand the nuns be returned to the Belle Air Terrace walls. Circulate petitions among your hall and classmates.

Can we, in good conscience, really let those nuns spend another night in the cold, dank storage shed where they have been carelessly tossed by unsympathetic Connelly henchmen? The answer is a resounding NO !

So when people ask you, "What are your plans for this year?" don't tell them about the MCATs. Forget about internships, or your classes, or that cutie in stats class you're dying to date. There can be only one answer that crosses your lips, one answer to ring out from St. Monica's to St. Mary's:"I shall not rest until they bring back the nuns!" I'll see you all at the Oreo for the sit-in next week.

Elections pose different scenarios

BY CHRIS DE ANGELIS

Throughout the election campaign, President Clinton has been practicing his trademark political move: waffling on the major issues and thus denying the electorate a clear picture of where he truly stands. Political columnists have remarked that, "the deciding factor in the upcoming election will be determined by where voters think Clinton will stand if re-elected." Yet, no one is asking the question: Does Clinton know where he will stand if he is allowed another term?

He knows what side he would like to take, but, as this Republican Congress has proven, party politics are what determine the outcome of his political position. Clinton frequently espoused the liberal viewpoint when he entered his first term and involved himself in such issues as gay rights in the military, universal health care and more expenditure for welfare..

Rebuffed by the election of a Republican Congress in 1994, Clinton shifted to the center of the political road. At this point he ended the welfare entitlement program, proposed tax cuts and, in addition, voiced opposition to gay marriages.

Currently, the Republicans control both houses of Congress. Their majority gives us a reprieve from liberal Democratic reforms and forces us to look at real ways to cut the deficit. If this Republican majority holds, Clinton will have an extraordinarily difficult time enacting liberal legislation, regardless of how insignificant or inexpensive it is.

A heavy Republican majority would probably force Clinton to remain the "new Democrat" that he has been during the last two years. Voters would probably then see a realistic plan for balancing the budget, a new set of tax cuts and greatly reduced entitlement programs.

The next possible scenario in November would be the election of a Democratic Senate anda Republican House. The president would have a much freer hand in political appointments. It is likely that several Supreme Court seats will open up during the next four years, and Clinton would surely fill those vacancies with extremely liberal justices. Controversial issues such as abortion and affirmative action could even be reviewed more liberally.

The second scenario could be a Democratic House and a Republican Senate. As the issues of taxation and spending are mainly fought in the House, Clinton would have an easier time passing controversial budget plans.

Unfortunately, Americans would see more gridlock and congressional infighting.

Regardless of congressional makeup, President Clinton will enjoy one advantage he did not have during his first term; he will not have to face the voters again; he can, as most second-term presidents do, use this time to carve out his place in history,

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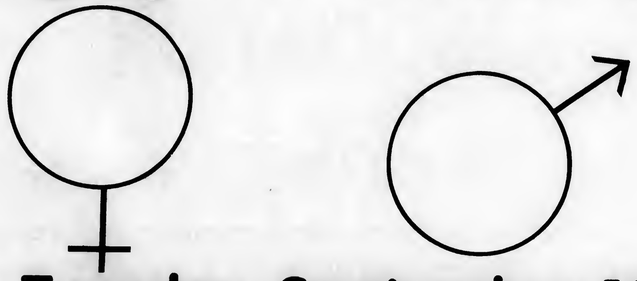

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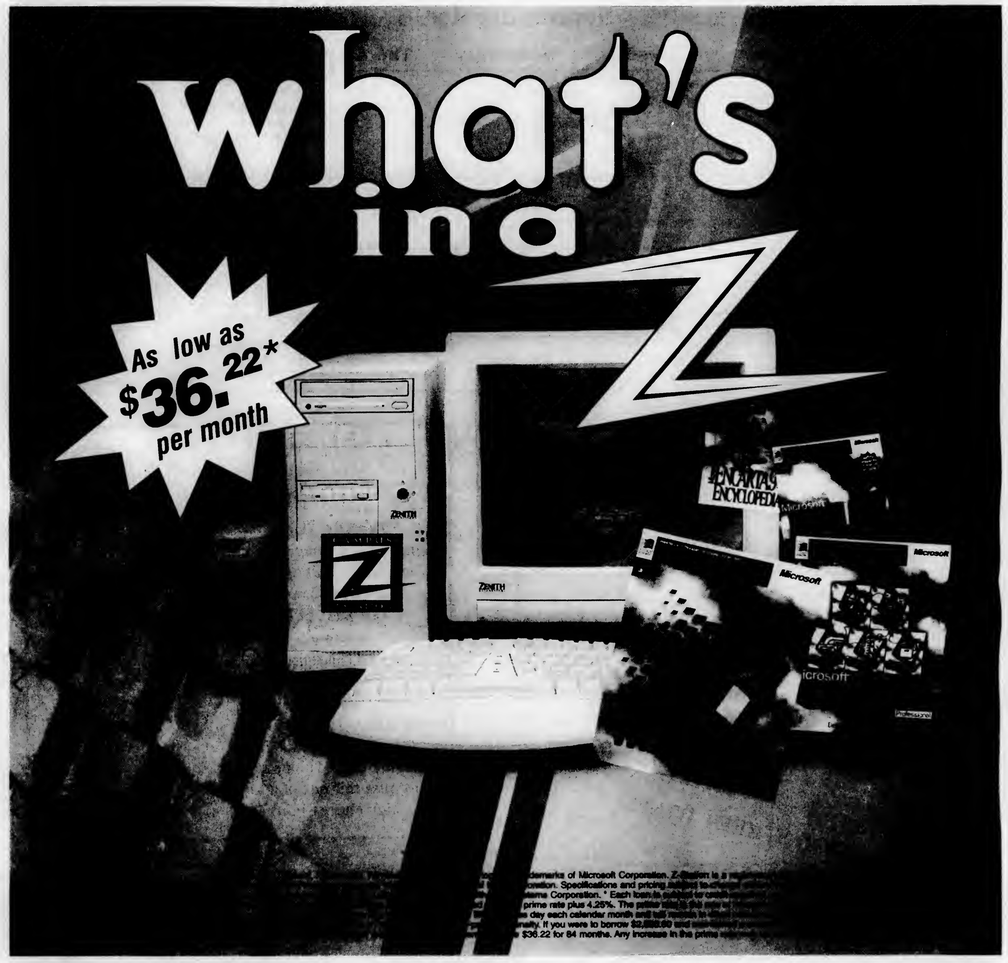

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					6 *Bird Cage* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10p.m., $3 *SKA Show* Featuring the Jumpstarts from Chapel Hill, NC Nightclub, 8p.m., free!	7 *INCAR in the Nightclub*
8	9	10	11 *CAT Recruitment Night* Featuring comedian Brad Lowery Villanova Room, 8p.m. Find out about the largest programming group on campus! Refreshments will be served!	12 *Twister* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10p.m., $3	13 *Twister* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10p.m., $3 *Moon Boot Lover* High-energy funk band! Nightclub, 10p.m.	14 *Trip to Hershey Park* Amusement Park & Chocolate Factory! Buses leave duPont 9a.m., return 11p.m., Sign up in 214 Dougherty Hall $18 (includes admission & transportation) *Outdoor Movie: Indiana Jones* Kennedy Plaza 9p.m., FREE!
15	16	17	18	19 *Mission Impossible* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10p.m., $3	20 *Mission Impossible* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10p.m., $3 *Parents' Weekend*	21 *Parents' Weekend*

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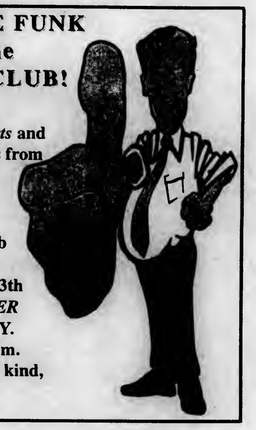

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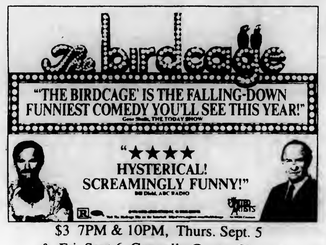

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Sept. 7

ACM

The Villanova Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery will hold its Fall Picnic on Saturday, Sept. 7 from noon - 4 p.m. on Welsh Field, behind the tennis courts by the apartments. There will be free food, games, and the semi-annual student/faculty volleyball challenge. Play Knockout basketball to win Windows 95 and Office 95!

Sept. 9

Time Management

Get organized this semester! Dr. Reilly will offer practical suggestions for better time management and study techniques in a brief workshop Monday, Sept. 9 2:30 - 3:20 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106 Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign-up is necessary.

International Studies

Re-entry events begin today for students returned from academic programs overseas. At 5 p.m. in the Wayne-St.Davids Room, the Office of International Studies will welcome the recently returned students with a hoagie supper.

Sept. 10

DSA

The Democratic Socialists of America will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). DSA is a political organization which fights for social and economic equality for all.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Study-Abroad Peer Meeting

International Studies Peer Counselors will meet with students recently returned to campus from overseas study today in SAC Room 300 at 5 p.m. to share experiences and plan for the coming academic year back at Villanova.

Sept. 11

Study-Abroad Career Planning

Nancy Dudak, Director of Career Planning and Placement, will meet with students recently returned from overseas programs in the Careers Resource Center, Room 104, Corr Hall at 6 p.m. She will guide students through the search for careers using skills gained through the study-abroad experience and how these skills may be incorporated into the resume.Fall Volunteer Trips

Fall Service Trips

Campus Ministry will sponsor an informational meeting to present and overview the 4 volunteer service trips that will take place over the Fall Break. These trips will sever permanently established missions in four states (Pa., Ky., W.Va. and Ala.). Applications for the trips will be given out at the meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7 - 8 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. This will be the ONLY informational meeting for the fall service trips

Sept. 12

Sorority Rush

An "Interest Party" will be held for all women interested in sorority rush for the coming year. This event will allow participants the opportunity to talk with women in sororities as well as get a better understanding of the Rush process. The "Interest Party" will be held on Sept. 12 from 7:30 - 9 p.m. in the Villanova Room. All are invited to attend. Any questions, contact the Panhellenic Office at ext. 97285.

Student Reception

University President, Rev. Edmund J. Dobbin, O.S.A. will join administrators, faculty and staff in welcoming back to campus the 50 Villanova students who have successfully completed programs overseas. A reception is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. in the Fedigan Room, fourth floor of the St. Augustine Center.

Sept. 13

Assistant Fraternity Rush Chair

IFC Rush Chairman is seeking an assistant for the Fall 1996 Rush. Applications are available at the IFC office and are due in on Sept. 13. Position is open to all fraternity members.

Sept. 12-16

GIFT Groups

GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Groups are small gatherings of students who come together to share and grow in their faith. They are facilitated by students, meet once a week for one hour, and run the length of the semester. Registration is Sept. 15 after all the masses, or in Campus Ministry, Sept. 12 - 16. Space is limited. This group is sponsored by Campus Ministry

Sept. 18

Books 'n Hoops

Books 'n Hoops is a summer basketball/academic camp for Philadelphia area high school students. It strives to integrate spirituality, eduacation, sportsmanship and community not only in basketball, but also in life. We are starting a mentor program similar to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. We are looking for volunteers interested in a long-term commitment and the experience of a lifetime. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Questions? Call Fr. Ed Hastings at 519-4082.

ELDERNET

ELDERNET is a Bryn Mawr agency (located at Ludington Library) that assists older and handicapped residents of Lower Merion Township who need simple assistance to remain independent in their own homes. ELDERNET is seeking student volunteers to help in any of the following areas: friendly visiting, shopping with or for clients, odd house care jobs (such as leaf raking), laundry etc. Schedules are very flexible and can be worked around a student's schedule and free time. Come meet Nadine Kuster and learn more about ELDERNET and how you might be able to contribute on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. in the West Lounge of Dougherty Hall.

Sept. 23

International Careers

As part of the special Careers Week sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement office, the office of International Studies will present a panel in the Haverford Room at 7 p.m. "Beginnings in International Careers" will be moderated by Dr. Michael M. Burke of the Department of History and will include presentations by two graduates whose present careers were directly attributable to studies abroad and by two recently returned seniors who plan to investigate postgraduate careers utilizing their spring 1995 semester experiences overseas.

Sept. 24

Volunteer in Panama

Returning for a sixth year, there will be a Winter Break (Dec. 30 - Jan. 11) volunteer service trip to the very rural section of Wacuco, Panama for Engineers and students who are proficient in Spanish. Preparation meetings will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 8 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel...(this will also be the information meeting explaining the trip), Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10, 8 - 10 p.m. St. Rita's Chapel. All meetings are REQUIRED in order to go on the trip. Sponsored by Villanova Volunteers of the Campus Ministry Office.

Study Abroad Night

The Office of International Studies will sponsor its annual fall Study Abroad Night at 7 p.m. in the Connelly Center Cinema. In addition to explaining the advantages of the study abroad experiences and the processes and procedures by which Villanova students arrange approval for their academic programs overseas, students recently returned to campus from studies abroad will be on hand to explain their choice of program and share their experiences with others considering including a semester or year in academic overseas programs.

News writers wanted!

There will be a meeting for any one interested in writing for the News section on

Tuesday Sept. 10 at 6:45 p.m. in Dougherty 201

FYI notes must be submitted by Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Notices must be typed and left in the "FYI" folder outside *The Villanovan* office at 201 Dougherty Hall.

FEATURES

St. Monica's co-ed habitat proves to be a true experience

BY KELLY BLEVINS
and DEANA COFFARO
Staff Reporters

While the typical Villanova freshman lives in a single-sex dorm with other people he or she may never see outside their residence hall, 160 incoming first-year students are encountering something completely new this year, as part of the Villanova Experience.

This program has been in the works for several years now, but this year's freshmen are the pilot group.

The goal of this new living and academic arrangement, according to Kathy Byrnes, assistant to the Dean of Students and the coordinator of the program, is "to offer a segment of the population with greater opportunities for learning outside and inside the classroom."

Four components comprise the Villanova Experience. First, the participants, who volunteered for the program and were chosen basically on a first-come, first-serve basis, live in St. Monica's, which is co-educational by wing and has a relaxed visitation policy.

The participants also share common sections of the Core Humanities Seminar.

"In my seminar I get to meet people from other floors in St. Monica's. It's easy to get to know people when you share class and a dorm with them," said Charisse Seneres.

For the third phase of the program, the students have weekly group discussions with other residents of St. Monica's to talk about life issues facing college students today.

These issues could include transitions, academic and personal integrity, study skills, personal relationships, leadership skills, communication skills, substance abuse and gender roles.

Social activities and special events such as picnics, films, retreats and informal discussions, are planned for the participants as well.

"We had a scavenger hunt that took place across campus and into other dorms. My floor had a dance in our lounge as well, and we are planning rollerblading sessions," said St. Monica resident, Pat Dougherly.

The administrators of the program hope to ease the difficult transition from high school to college with the Villanova Experience.

"It often takes students an entire year to adjust to university life. If they are learning and socializing together, they will most likely feel they belong more quickly and become more successful," said Byrnes.

The Villanova Experience also hopes to foster better relationships between the faculty and students. "Research shows that when students have one-on-one contact with faculty or administrators, they are more successful in school," Byrnes said.

This communication guarantees that the program's participants receive guidance outside of class, which students previously had to seek out for themselves.

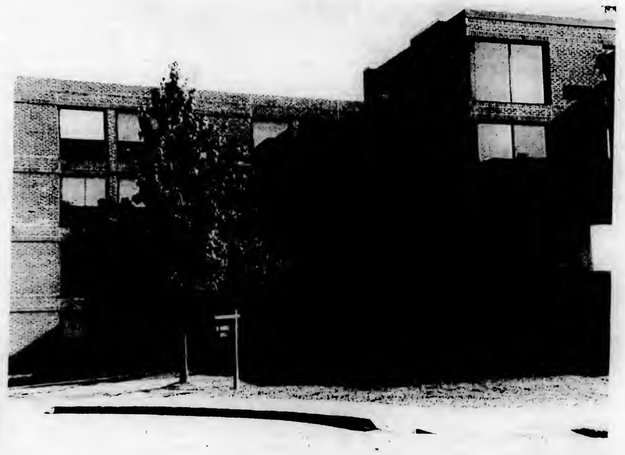
The feedback on the program has been very positive to date. The facilitators of the seminars say the group discussions have been going very well, and the resident assistants have noticed that the students are really meshing and forming a sense of community.

The participants are also enjoying the program and feel they are benefiting from the added interaction between faculty and class members.

"The program is good because you get to meet a lot of new people. Everyone's door is always open, so there is a greater communication among us," said Keith Argue, a participant in the Villanova Experience. .

While it is still too early to judge the Villanova Experience as a success, many of the early signs indicate that a program combining academics and residential living can thrive on campus.

Therefore, similar programs could be enacted in the near future in additional buildings so that more people can benefit from the opportunities for growth that the Villanova Experience offers inside and outside the classroom.



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St. Monica Hall, once a single-sex dorm, is now the site of the experimental Villanova Experience.

Hunger Awareness Week feeds the spirit

By MIKE VASSALLO
Staff Reporter

Each year, during the week prior to Thanksgiving, the Peace and Justice Department, through Campus Ministry, encourages the student body to become aware of world hunger. This week is called Hunger Awareness Week.

Established in 1972, Hunger Awareness Week is now approaching its 24th year of service and dedication to the hungry and underprivileged. This year, the main purpose of Hunger Awareness Week is to give the Villanova student body an awareness of what world hunger is like. It will encourage the students to participate in the various activities which will take place during that week.

The activities, sponsored by the Father Ray Jackson, O.S.A., of the Peace and Justice Department, are scheduled to take place from Nov. 17-23. There will be a recruitment night on Sept. 11, at 8 p.m. in the East Lounge of Dougherty Hall.

Many activities are planned for Hunger Awareness Week, including a "Sleep-a-Thon," during which students will camp out on campus. This night will serve to help participants familiarize themselves with the feelings the hungry and homeless experience.

Other activities will include a two-mile "Bike-a-Thon," a "5K Run for Hunger," and rollerblading. In addition, there will be a concert, guest speakers and Masses celebrated in honor of the week.

All of these activities are aimed at involving the student body in recognizing world hunger.

Hunger Awareness Week will also invite participants to carry out procedures for helping to curb world hunger by donating to hunger victims. These procedures will include a craft sale held in Connelly Center by Oxfam America. The proceeds will then be distributed to the needy. Villanova will also use basket donations which will be given to Third World nations.

During the dining hall fast, students may sacrifice their lunch. The University will donate $3 for each missed meal. This donation will go to underprivileged farmers, particularly in the Dominican Republic. The money will be used towards better education and to improve farming and agricultural skills and techniques.

Last year, the Peace and Justice department and Campus Ministry raised $7,000. This year, their goal is $10,000.

During the past 24 years, Villanova has made at least half a million dollars in contributions during the annual Hunger Awareness Week.

Government provisions are simply not enough to deal with this crisis, since from a global perspective, one half of the world's population is in danger of suffering from malnutrition.

The Peace and Justice department calls for a response on the part of all Villanova students.

Jackson promotes the teachings of Jesus Christ to feed the hungry. By feeding the hungry, people also indirectly feed Jesus, as outlined in the corporal works of mercy.

People's response to the needs of the world highlight the significance of their religion. Jesus invites all Christians to feed the world's hungry people.

Jackson suggests the remembrance of Jesus' words when He said, "When I was hungry, you fed me."

This signifies that although the purpose of Hunger Awareness Week is to educate students about world hunger and promote its prevention, it also brings the students of Villanova together in a tight, altruistic and Christian bond.

Campus Ministry gives students a mission

By JENNIFER DORE
Staff Reporter

Villanova is a university committed to an atmosphere of community service. Students actively participate in the various opportunities of volunteering.

Throughout the school year, some of the largest events on campus are service projects which the University has provided for the community.

There are also many services which Villanova provides that are not on campus. Campus Ministry sponsors different groups which travel to other parts of the country and world, to reach out to those in need.

Mission Service Trips, run by Campus Ministry, consist of groups of approximately 20 students. The groups travel to established missions run by permanent staffs. The students are there to aid in the work of the missions. In 1976 the first Mission Service Trip was planned by Barbara Haenn.

Before coming to Villanova, Haenn had served as a Vista Volunteer. She decided to organize a trip to the Christian Appalachian Project in Lancaster, Kentucky.

"One of my dreams was to start a volunteer trip. [I thought] a few would be interested. We were amazed. forty people were interested," said Haenn.

In the following years the trips became more successful and the group continued expanding. Campus Ministry was overwhelmed by the number of interested students. Now, there are more trips offered during each break, but the number of volunteers is kept at 20 or below.

One of the purposes of the trips is to enhance the community of Villanova. Some students in the larger groups got lost and this defeated the sense of togetherness among the volunteers. "We want the students to connect with each other," said Haenn.

Each site the group visits is different. Some trips involve construction of houses or bridges. Others include GED training, child care and serving in soup kitchens.

The Villanova volunteers add extra help to the mission to make it possible to tackle tasks bigger than those which the permanent staff can handle.

In some cases, students have gone to a mission site expecting to provide one type of service, only to find themselves doing something completely different.

This occurs when an unexpected disaster or problem arises before the volunteers arrive. "We will help them do the work that they need to have done. We give what we can," explained Haenn.

The students who participate in the volunteer trips have the opportunity to engage in self reflection. The members of the permanent mission staff and the Villanova volunteers take turns in leading sessions of reflection where the participants consider why they are there and their relationships with each other, with the poor and with God.

They also have the unique opportunity to interact directly with the people for whom they are providing service.

The mission trips involve more interaction than others, because of the broader base of services provided. Through this direct contact with the poor, students are giving their time and energy, yet they are also gaining knowledge of areas and people which they could not otherwise find in the classroom.

At 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11 Campus Ministry will hold an informational meeting in St. Rita's Chapel. Four Staff Coordinators will explain the fall break trips to Philadelphia, West Virginia, Kentucky and Alabama.

Each interested student must complete an application. Haenn advises students of all ages to volunteer: "Many people wait until their senior year, and then they can't go."

Those who are selected for the trips are required to attend 3 to 4 meetings. These sessions help the students to get to know one another and to talk about "some of the realities of life in the mission area," explained Haenn.

She also added, "[It is] a little smither of education to help give a little of the reality that they are walking into."

The fall trips cost from $50 to $170 and include room, board and transportation. The individual groups may decide to raise money for the trips.

During Mass, a collection is made to pay for the staff person and underwrite their expenses and materials used for the trip.

"It would be worth your while to talk to people who have gone on these trips," said Haenn. Based on the number of students involved in service project at Villanova, it is not difficult to find someone who would be willing to share their experiences.

Villanova's reputation for service has and will continue to grow. In November, Father Dobbin, on behalf of the Villanova community, will be awarded the George Mader Award for outstanding volunteer service.

This is simply another reason for Villanovans to continue giving to the community through programs like the Mission Service Trips.

FEATURES

Kennedy vendors confront 'Nova students with offers

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The beginning of a new school year has come to symbolize many things for different people. Here at Villanova and other college campuses, students are subjected to badgering and harassment with the invasion of those annoying vendors and credit card solicitors.

One cannot even walk into Kennedy Hall or Connelly Center without getting cornered by any number of the solicitors who try really hard to lure you into their traps.

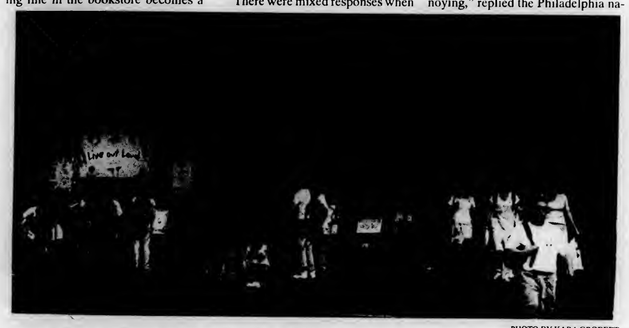
Does it work? Many students seem to be enticed by an offer for free candy or tee shirts. It seems ridiculous that people would actually jump at such an offer, but the reality is that people do.

"Appeal is what lures the students in," said one credit card vendor who wished to remain anonymous.

Almost all of the vendors agreed that freshmen pay the most attention to their offers. With just one trip to the bookstore, anyone can become overwhelmed by a swarm of money-hungry vendors who are looking to encourage all students to sign away their rights and stand the potential to fall deeper into debt, whether it be with an American Express or Visa credit card or any of the numerous calling cards.

If it is not bad enough that the waiting line in the bookstore becomes a tradition, so is battling the likes of annoying vendors. It seems fair to say that a good number of people find these vendors to be highly annoying and irritating, unable to take "NO" for an answer.

There were mixed responses when vendors were asked if they found themselves and their work irritating. Joe, representing American Express, was very insulted at the posed question. "This is my job, and I do not see how you can accuse me of being annoying," replied the Philadelphia native. "It is part of my commitment to the company, to recruit new customers, in particular younger students who have just left the secure confines of their homes."



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A familiar scene of vendors strategically stationed in front of Kennedy Hall

However, if one does not want something, no one needs to keep hearing about the alleged benefits of having a piece of plastic.

John, a representative for an AT&T calling card, was very willing to engage in a conversation. "I do find some vendors to be annoying; kind of ironic considering that I am one of them," said this recent college graduate. "I feel that to be successful as a solicitor, you need to be persistent, but at the same time, you have to watch not to become too overbearing; that can really turn prospective customers away."

Just as students have to deal with the temporary, ridiculous waits in line in the bookstore, all are capable of swallowing their prides and tolerating the pesky vendors who are just trying to do their jobs.

Just as these vendors can be very pesky, they are also very convincing, so be careful. The best advice offered is by all means necessary, to avoid them!

Some important tips for combatting homesickness

By LAURIE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

"I'm not homesick. Not me, but I know someone who is. I knew someone who was homesick, but she went back home."

Listening to these comments, it would be easy to believe that most of Villanova's new students are already completely adjusted to college life.

The truth is, first-year students here are experiencing a wide range of feelings in these first weeks of school.

For some, the move to college was overwhelming, and several students have already returned home. Others do not seem to miss home at all, but are glad finally to be living on their own.

Most new students, however, fall somewhere in between the two extremes.

Stacie Frank, a resident assistant in Caughlin Hall, said that most of the students on her hall are a little homesick, but are quickly adjusting to college life.

The fact that all new students are in the same boat is encouraging. "I miss my friends, but everyone's doing the same thing. It's fun," said Katherine Gulotta. The entire University has welcomed the new students. "I haven't met anyone who wasn't nice to me," she continued.

Jessica Kredel and Ali Jacobe, who are both from California, have only been a little homesick, despite the distance.

Frank believes that New Student Orientation helps reduce cases of homesickness, and Kredel and Jacobe agree. Both credited their orientation counselors and groups with pulling them through the first few lonely days.

Kredel said that she expected to be homesick when she arrived at college, but the activities planned for orientation left no time to think about being homesick. "I would have been lost without it," she said.

Even though orientation does help students fight homesickness, college life still offers unfamiliar situations that make people long for the security of home.

"When I go to bed at night, I miss home," said Gulotta. Unlike Gulotta, many freshmen still say they are not homesick at all. This may or may not be true.

When the first phone bills of the year arrive, the number of calls home will tell the real story.

In the next few weeks, as the novelty of classes wears off, new students may find that they really do miss their friends and family from home. Don't worry—this is a perfectly normal experience.

Here are some tips from upperclassmen to help combat homesickness:

—Participate in as many activities as you can, so you can meet new friends. If you stay busy, you won't have time to be homesick.

—Don't go home every weekend, or you will never get used to being on your own.

—Don't give up on Villanova right away. Give it a month. By the time Parents' Weekend arrives, you should be a lot better.

—Write letters to everyone you know. Hopefully, this will mean you get mail in return.

—Do your homework. There's nothing like reading Plato to take your mind off your troubles.

Bigs and Littles recruits members to befriend Philadelphia children

By SAMANTHA WATERS
Assistant Features Editor

For most students, being away from home during the school year means accepting new responsibilities such as bills, time management and laundry, while avoiding others like household chores, or for some, being an accessible big brother or sister.

However, being part of the Villanova community offers a student the chance to gain another sibling while staying on campus through the Bigs and Littles program, under the leadership of Jack McAtee, O.S.A.

With the help of its 65 "big" members, organized fundraisers such as tee- shirt and bake sales are held across campus to help finance selected trips and the necessary bus fees.

Past trips have been to places such as Valley Forge, the Smithsonian, New York City, and the Baltimore Aquarium.

"Bigs are expected to get in contact with their little once a week by either a letter, phone call, or if possible, a visit," McAtee said. "And every other Sunday, the big is required to take their child on an outing with the rest of the groups."

This year, and for the last 10 years, the littles have been from Philadelphia's St. Anthony's parish, where Villanova coordinators have come to know and love this neighborhood and the parents of the children as well. All littles are 7 to 12 years old and matched up with a Villanova student of the same sex.

Both littles and bigs correspond to each other so that both will graduate at the same time, one from grammar school, the other from Villanova.

"In recent years, the most difficult thing about organizing this program is the limited number of children available and the large amount of applications we receive from students," said McAtee, currently in his third year of leadership.

"Last year, with 198 applications to review, we had to ask St. Anthony's to give us as many children as they could get and the program expanded to 65 children, where in the past, there were under 50."

Established on campus as a chapter of the nationwide Big Brothers and Big Sisters program, Villanova broke away when the program qualifications became too restricting.

"In past years," McAtee explained, "there were two months worth of applicant review before a decision was made whether to accept or reject the student as a big.

There had to be certain qualifications met, a certain income made, the availability to a child for an entire year, and a police investigation for any possible history of abuse, crime, etc."

However, after Villanova's program formed under its new identity, "Bigs and Littles," few qualifications had to be met by the applicant other than strong dedication and wise time management.

Working in association of two student coordinators, McAtee anticipates another successful year with big turnouts and results, although all trips, dates and destinations have not been announced.

"The most difficult aspect of this position is narrowing down the applicants and figuring out who would be best for the program," he said.

"This is a good year because 19 seniors graduated in May, so there are more extra spaces. I just hope that all the students interested recognize the limits we have and are understanding."

To become involved with the Bigs and Littles program, informational meetings will be held Sept. 13 (7-8 p.m. Haverford Room), Sept. 14 (3:30-4:30 p.m. Haverford Room), and Sept. 15 (7-8 p.m. Bryn Mawr Room).

WXVU Top 10

1. The Queers
2. Boredoms
3. Lambchope
4. Delta 72
5. The Skeletones
6. Bjork
7. Archers of Loaf
8. Desi Arnaz
9. Less than Jake
10. Scrawl

New student shares her experience

By CHRISTINA BLANEY
Staff Reporter

I received a letter in the mail asking any freshman liberal arts, engineering or nursing major to sign up for the Villanova Experience. I read the first line of the paragraph which clearly stated that I would be living in a co-ed dorm. Without reading any further, I immediately signed up.

I didn't know much about the program. I knew I had to attend a weekly 50-minute meeting. I knew I would have to participate in a number of school-related activities. I knew I would be living in St. Monica, and I definitely knew there would be guys on the same floor.

I later found out that the main goal of the program is to get the freshmen class to become closer and to help each other get over the worries of entering college. "It allows freshmen to feel more at home," said Patty Zech. "It gives us a chance to have more personal relationships and get accustomed to college life."

What I was surprised about was how friendly and open everyone seemed be. There was an immediate sense of unity and trust among those in the dorm.

Freshman James Timoyanis said, "It's a family feeling. Everybody wakes up dirty and with messy hair, but no one cares." Freshman Dan Wible agrees, "I also look at it as a chance to grow in a mixed environment. We get a better opportunity to know each other." Faulty fronts and fake personalities were already down as soon as everyone walked through the door.

Others look at it as a way to get over the prejudices men and women have toward each other. "Men and women learn to accept and feel comfortable with each other," said freshman John Zhaimanis. "Prejudices start because we don't know."

F E A T U R E S

American sculpture and spiritual abstracts featured in tandem show

Special to ***The Villanovan***

A tandem show of sculptured artifacts by an honored New Jersey sculptor, and spiritual abstracts in acrylics by a former seminarian, launches the 1996-97 exhibit season of the Villanova University Art Gallery.

Betty McGeehan's "Totems" and Joseph Hould's "Existential Abstracts - A Theological Perspective" will be featured at the gallery until Sept. 26. A reception for the artists will also take place Saturday, Sept. 7, from 4 - 6 p.m. at the gallery. The public is invited.

A marble carver for 25 years, McGeehan, of Chatham, N.J., found her art undergoing a metamorphosis following a trip to East Germany to seek out personal roots shortly after the Berlin Wall came down. The discovery included finding that nine of her cousins were artists.

"After discovering my family," said McGeehan, "I couldn't do the hard-edged work any more. The reunion opened up for me a rich history of my family and gave me a deep sense of belonging. My sculptures today reflect this desire in all of us, whether conscious or unconscious, to know our ancestors."

"In my work," said McGeehan, "I have given a new, more abstract purpose to worn and beautiful objects that have lost their original purpose, yet have an intrinsic beauty and aesthetic power related to their age. I have made new contemplative objects of these discarded things that mirror our desire as individuals and as a people to speculate on who we are and where we have come form."

The National Association of Women Artists conferred this year upon McGeehan its Kreindler-Seligson Memorial Award. She was also accorded the Association's 1995 Jeffrey Childs Willis Memorial Award.

Last year her work won honorable mention in the International Juried Show at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Her art is in the collections of numerous museums and corporations, including Bristol-Myers Squibb, AT&T, the Coca-Cola Co. and Toyota.

Through her sculptures, McGeehan strives to evoke meditation of a different kind. A piano leg, a walking stick found along a road, wood turnings, a violin frame discovered at a flea market form the components of many of her cultural sculptures.

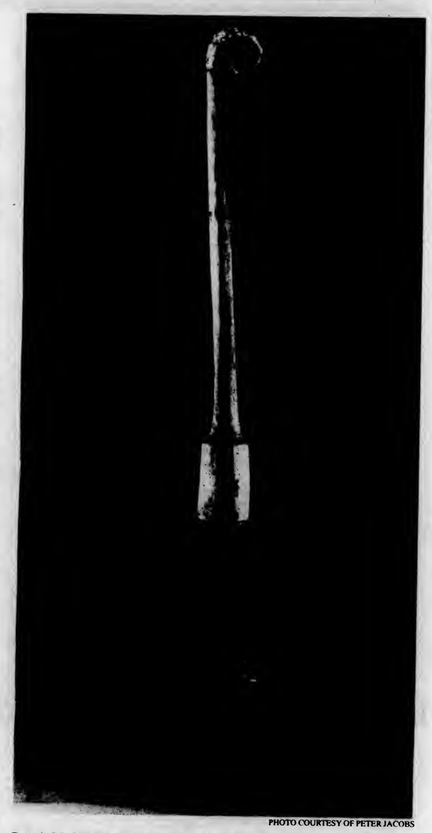
After service in the Navy, Hould began a career as a commercial artist in New York and Boston. He subsequently entered the seminary with plans to become a Catholic priest. A transforming event near the end of nine years of preparation changed his direction.

"The priesthood didn't work out. Instead, God called me to paint. My paintings embrace His honor and glory and emerge from my evolving faith experience," said the Devon, Pa. resident. Hould paints in vivid acrylics on geometric backgrounds.

"What I strive to do is integrate my faith experience visually through the aesthetic geometric of art and the psychology of color and form. My paintings emerge from that experience. All of life is a gift from God that calls us to Him. It's a learning process that teaches us about everything we seek to learn. My work is a vehicle to experience Jesus. Through my work, I expose myself to myself," said Hould.

Hould's work has appeared in many one-person and group exhibitions in New England and New York. His most recent show took place earlier this year at the Leslie Eadeh Gallery in Devon.

The gallery welcomes visits by community groups and school classes. Special arrangements for hosted tours at no charge may be made by telephoning the gallery at (610) 519-4612.



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Betty's McGeehan's "Totem #16" can be seen at the Villanova Art Gallery, which is located in the Connelly Center.

Sports marketing club kicks off this season with new opportunities

By TIFFANY BREGOVI
Staff Reporter

Amid the many organizations populating the University, a new club is emerging.

The Villanova Athletics Sports Marketing Club is targeting students with a feel for athletics and business.

Headed by Robyn Schnieders, the coordinator of Special Events, Promotions, and Community Relations in the Athletic Department, the club offers interested students the chance to gain experience in the business by marketing athletics on campus.

The main purpose of the Sports Marketing Club is to "formalize experience [for the students] and provide the Athletic Department with a resource of students to help," said Schnieders.

The program will be conducted in a highly professional atmosphere, so that the students will gain the experience needed to succeed in the business following their graduation from college.

Members of the club will be involved in such projects as event/staff sport games, campus promotions, and attendance enhancement of those sports that do not receive as much publicity as others.

The students will be exposed to group marketing, licensing, video production, and radio networking as well as game-day management and community relations.

The Club also allows the students involved to have a voice in the athletic department. In effect, the department will be reaching the students of the University through their peers.

While the selected members of the program profit from the experience, the athletic department benefits from the members' closer connection to the University body on a student to student level.

Additional opportunities will include visits to the FOX network studios and possible internships with Philadelphia 76ers basketball and Eagles football.

Schnieders developed the idea for the club while visiting other Big East colleges. The University of Connecticut had a sports marketing program in existence which Ms. Schnieders researched and introduced here at Villanova with the help of Tim Hofferth, assistant athletic director for External Operations.

The new club is given the same basic structure as the original at the University of Connecticut.

Villanova Sports Marketing, the mother organization of the new student club, is internally run. While other universities rely on outside sources for the television production of campus athletic events, Villanova operates on its own.

Sports Marketing produces, and is responsible for, the advertising and formatting of such programs as the Steve Lappas television and radio shows, "College Sports Today" with Gene DeFillippo, and Villanova football and basketball games.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Josie and the Pussycats The top ten highlights of Orientation 1996 . . .

10. Augustinian karaoke
9. O.C. steel cage match
8. Sitting in the middle of a field in the 100 degree sun with strangers and crying for mommy
7. Daddy shark
6. The five minutes you actually believed your O.C. liked you
5. Golden rings
4. Seminar on why your high school friends won't miss you
3. A.A. meeting
2. Seminar on developing a taste for Natty Light

And the No. 1 highlight of Orientation 1996 . . .

1. The end

FIRST encourages political responsibility

By ANN GAVAGHAN
Staff Reporter

The elections of November are approaching rapidly, and in all likelihood, those of us in the 18-to 34-year-old age group will once again stay away from the polls.

Because of our failure to produce large voter turnout, politicians routinely ignore the concerns of the young, or, even worse, patronize those who do bother to speak out. Such treatment just furthers our cynicism, alienating us even more from the political process.

It is a vicious cycle that ends only when youths grow old enough to worry about the "ideas" being floated about our political discourse.

However, a Philadelphia organization is working to let youth have their say. FIRST, the Foundation for Individual Responsibility and Social Trust, is holding its first national convention for young adults the weekend of Sept. 19.

Delegates from all over the nation will be attending to produce a platform of youth interests, which will be presented to the major presidential candidates.

The platform will be culled from a series of non-partisan, non-confrontational debates which hope to find the common ground from all sides of an issue.

In addition to talking with fellow generational members, the FIRST convention will also provide an opportunity for young adults to be heard by current political leaders, such as Philadelphia mayor Ed Rendell, Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke, and Rep. Matt Dunne of Vermont.

FIRST's ultimate goals go far beyond this weekend, however. As its introductory statement reads, "They revolve instead around the development of character, the indefinable quality that leads individuals to be responsible citizens: persons who think for themselves, but who ultimately choose to act in ways that contribute to the greater good, even where society lacks any power whatsoever to require them to do so."

In a society where pork barrel politics and generational pandering have become commonplace, FIRST provides a welcome change.

Villanova University is interested in sending a delegation to the FIRST convention. Interested students should contact Gary Bonas at x97280. No political experience or affiliation is required. One must simply be interested in changing America's current terms of political debate, and helping young voices be heard.

F E A T U R E S

What's in your head? *Students celebrate loved one at memorial Mass*

By MELISSA SALSO
Senior Reporter

You expect to pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that you can do, or any kindness that you can show to any fellow creature, do it now.

Do not defer nor neglect it, for you shall not pass this way again.

A faded orange ribbon hangs in front of you as you stare at the bookbag in front of you on line. "Hugs for Joe" it reads. Abstractly, you make the connection between the symbol and its meaning, but the deeper reality remains in the background of your thoughts.

On Tuesday, August 27 the reality was unavoidable as it marked the one year anniversary of the death of Villanova student Joseph P. Hauck.

Tuesday evening in the Villanova Church, approximately 100 students and faculty gathered at a memorial Mass in Joe's memory.

At the age of 19, Joe passed away suddenly during the 1995 Orientation activities as a result of Meningococcus, or bacterial meningitis. He would have been a junior at Villanova this fall.

Father John Stack O.S.A., dean of Students, reminded us in his homily of the importance of remembrance and the unimportance of the "would have beens."

Stack, who knew Joe well through his work in the Student Development office, acknowledged the difficulty of reliving the horrid events that occurred one year ago.

Stack recognized that although remembering his death is a hardship in itself, that our ability to remember, more importantly, enables us to recall all of the good times, happy thoughts, and fond memories we have of Joe.

It is these memories that have helped keep Joe's spirit alive in the year that has gone by.

We can see them in action each time we pass by the tower clock alongside Mendel field, rest on the bench outside of Old Falvey library, or even catch sight of an old orange ribbon.

Further, Stack encouraged us to work hard to remember, because as time goes by, memories tend to fade if they are not maintained.

He advised to think of Joe often, to pray to him in heaven, to rejoice in his spirit, and to bring the gift of God to all that we meet— just as Joe did.

Did you do anything memorable this summer? Call us if you would like it covered in *The Villanovan*. 519-7206

Major Trouble: History could be in your future

By VIVIAN BLANCO
Staff Reporter

For all students who are undecided as to what field of study they should pursue, the past may be the end of the search.

Many do not realize that they can study the past to get a better view of the future. "History is at the heart of everything. It is the glue that holds the concentrations together," said Dr. Kelley, Villanova's History Department Chair.

Many college students are worried about the career options that come along with the chosen majors and the job availabilities.

"You can go into almost any field with history. Majoring in history as an undergraduate can be good preparation for law school or one could choose to work in the archives or museums or even enter business," commented Kelley.

One has even more avenues available if he or she pursues a graduate degree. "If you specialize and get a doctorate, you typically do field history research or teach at the college level," said Kelley. "History is a good all-purpose major for a lot of different directions and careers. The students who do well can find jobs readily available."

"Hopefully people will study history because they like to," continued Kelley. "The memories of a nation are similar to the memories of our own lives and where we are today. History is a memory of how the world came to be and a good utility on how and why we are who we are."

History has had an impact on varying fields of study such as science, language, math, and philosophy.

It all had to start somewhere and one usually goes to the beginning when starting to learn something new. "It's an all-purpose synthesis, the study of people, and incites studies like sociology and literature. All the disciplines play an important role, but history pulls it all together," said Kelley.

Essentially, history gives the big picture. "You can't study anything without the historical context," said Kelley. Becoming a history major entails distribution requirements such as United States History, European History, World History and becoming engaged within "a great department and a really great new faculty," said Kelley.

Other than being the Department Chair, Kelley also teaches Early American History and the Surveys of American History.

Recent additions to the faculty are professors Rebecca Winer and Nina Ener who teach Medieval History and Arab and Islamic History respectively. If anyone has any questions, the history department can be reached at X94660.

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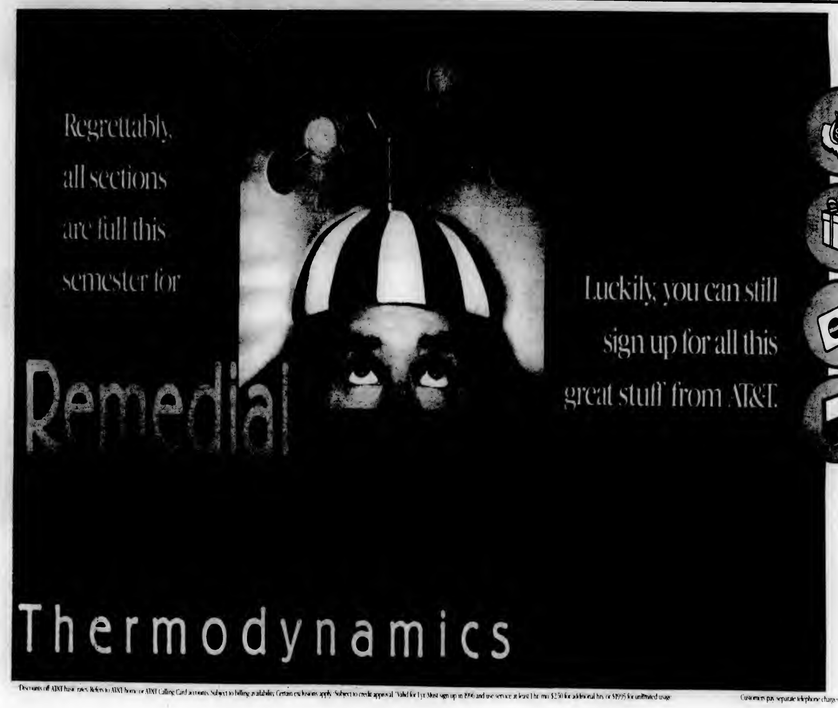

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CAMPUS MINISTRY

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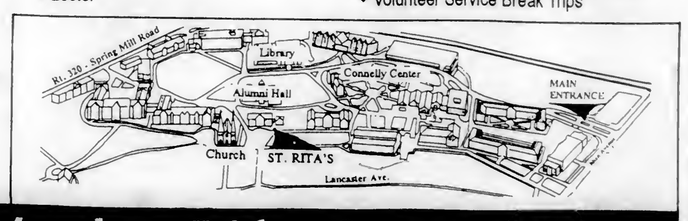

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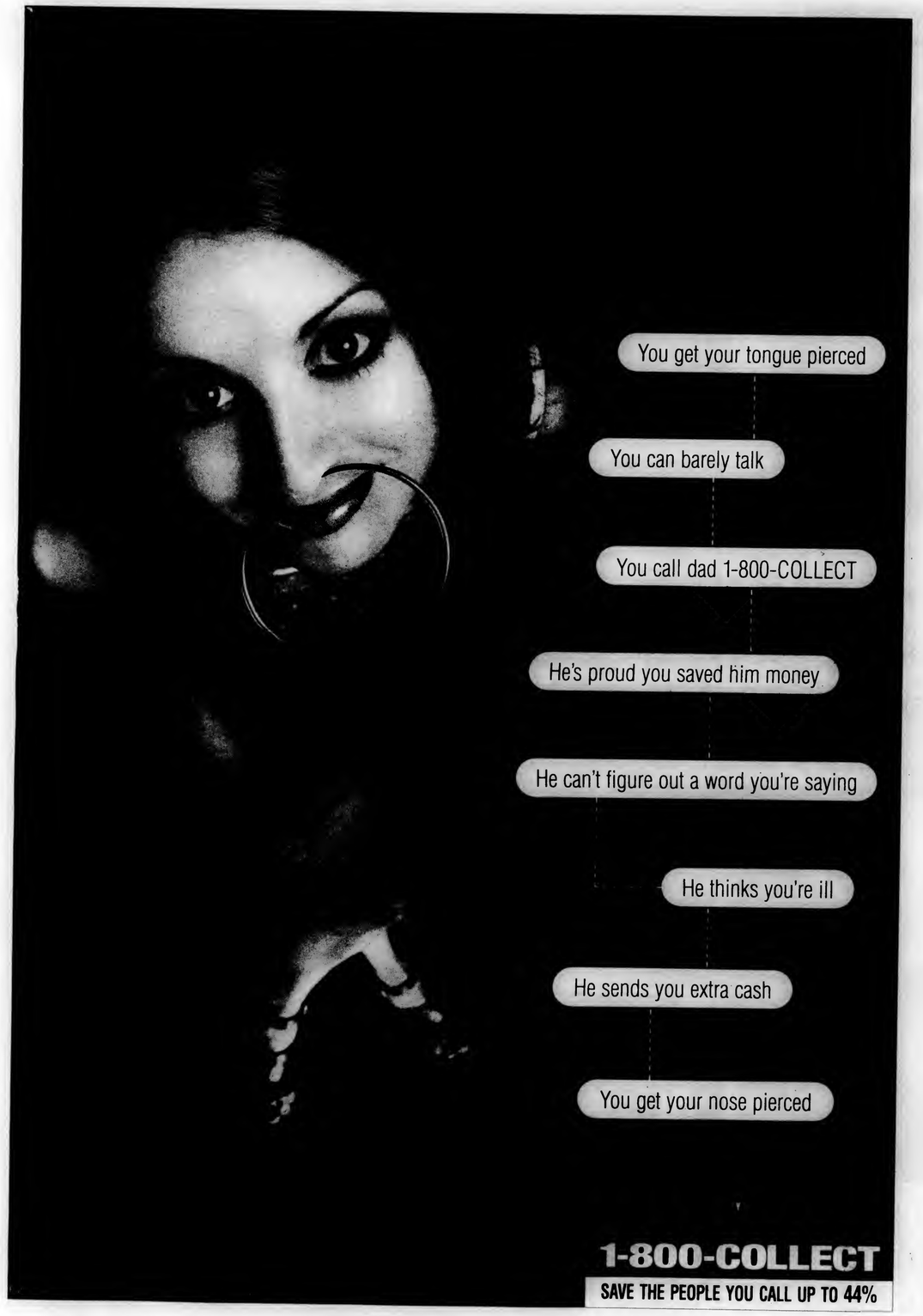

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Brady sunshine fades in *A Very Brady Sequel*

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

"Here's the story of a lovely lady..." I challenge anyone who can read these words without being immediately compelled to hum, croon, or whistle the rest of this melodious tune to do so. Even viewers who are only somewhat familiar with the antics of television's most "groovy" family have memorized the words to its catchy theme song. And now, the very song that conjures up images of bell-bottoms, butterfly collars and bubble-gum snapping teenyboppers has once again reclaimed its infamy in the new movie, *A Very Brady Sequel*.

Directed by Arlene Sanford, this film is a biting satire of creator Sherwood Schwartz's most popular television show, "The Brady Bunch." Starring Shelley Long as Carol Brady, Gary Cole as Mike Brady and Tim Matheson as an impostor of Carol's long-lost husband, Roy, the movie adds new plot twists to a conglomeration of classic TV episodes. Audience members grin with nostalgia as they witness Marcia and Greg fight over who gets to move into the attic, Cindy cling like velcro to her beloved Kitty Carryall doll and Jan struggle with the traumas of being "second best" in everything she does.

By far, one of the most entertaining features of *A Very Brady Sequel* is the reproduction of the famous Brady house. It includes the blue bunk-beds and toy soldiers found in Greg, Peter and Bobby's room, the orange and brown kitchen, complete with Alice's blackboard and in the words of Mike Brady, lots of "fake wood paneling, shag rugs and Formica." The large backyard, with its cool swing set (site of the famous "see-saw" competition between Bobby and Cindy) and neatly trimmed, fluorescent green grass, is also the center of many adventures.

What would a movie about the Bradys be without a stream of misunderstandings, coincidences and pep talks? *A Very Brady Sequel* contains all of these, along with plenty of impromptu song and dance numbers (does anyone remember the peppy "Time to Change"?) and typical line deliveries, such as "Oh, Miiike" by none other than the matriarch herself, Carol Brady.

Relatively tame slapstick humor prevails in *A Very Brady Sequel*; however, the movie is not without the occasional double entendre or sexual innuendo. One portion of the movie, for example, focuses on the growing attraction between Greg and Marcia, while yet another shows the effects of drug-laced mushrooms on Alice and Roy. Scenes like this simply build upon an already-established adolescently funny theme.

Die-hard fans of The Brady Bunch will inevitably run to see *A Very Brady Sequel*. Sure, realistic character portrayals, cameo appearances of stars, and ties to old Brady Bunch episodes make this movie vaguely entertaining. My only true laughs, however, came from getting a glimpse of Cousin Oliver and Tiger the dog towards the END of the movie. A word to those who can only take the Bradys in small doses: wait until this one hits your local Blockbuster shelf.

PHOTO CREDIT: ELLIOT MARKS

Carol and Mike Brady bring Brady happiness to the neighborhood.

Beth Heart provides a breath of fresh air to musical monotony

By JANET RUDDOCK
Entertainment Editor

Alanis Morrisette, the Hootie thing, Pearl Jam and others continually drown the air waves with their incessant repetition, but behind these overplayed bands are real artists who never get heard and seldom gain the recognition that they deserve- the Beth Heart Band is one such artist.

Hanging on the outskirts of the music industry, the Beth Heart Band's first released album, *Immortal*, dares to offer those willing to listen something more. With a female vocalist comparable to a modern day Janis Joplin and a cutting edge blues/rock sound, Beth Heart offers an honest energy rarely seen in bands today.

Immortal starts off strong with the single "Run," which draws listeners in through the powerful vocals of Beth Heart and rhythmic beats of the chorus. But unlike many albums which are over once the first single is heard, *Immortal* has just begun to draw you into the depths of its melodic blues and hard-driving rock rhythms.

"God Bless You," the 10th track on the album, is candy for the ears- beautiful, crisp and inspirational. Other particularly good songs are "State of Mind" and "Spiders in My Bed," but all 12 tracks are worthy of listeners' time.

The band includes four talented members: Beth Heart, on vocals and piano; Jimmy Khoury, on electric and acoustic guitar; Tal Herzberg, on bass and Sergio Gonzalez, on drums. Each member of this quartet contributes not only instrumentally, but in the songwriting process as well.

The Beth Heart Band spent part of their summer playing shows from D.C. to Boston at small clubs and cafes like the Tin Angel in Philadelphia. On the last of the three dates they played at the Tin Angel, Beth Heart wooed the audience with her extraordinary vocals and fun personality. Continually interacting with the crowd, she climbed offstage and sang to different audience members. In addition to their small D.C. to Boston tour, the band was featured on the second stage at some East Coast Lolapaloozas this summer.

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The beauty of the Beth Heart Band is that its members are impassioned with what they do both on and off stage. The music you'll hear on *Immortal* fits no particular genre and does not try to be anything other than what it is. The Beth Heart Band will be performingat Upstairs at Nick's on Sept. 8 and 9.

PHOPTO CREDIT: DONALD MAY

The Beth Heart Band transcends popular music trends with its debut album*Immortal*.

Basquiat's story comes to life

By CARA BECKERICH
Entertainment Editor

Miramax Films deserves a big pat on the back. Not once, but twice this summer they successfully provided us with films which have been a refreshing alternative to the highly advertised sludge that is better known as our summer movie selections. The first of these, the British smash hit *Trainspotting*, has received a notable amount of press, including 10 dozen articles in magazines such as *Spin*, *Rolling Stone* and *Interview*, and commercials that air on MTV every half hour. *Basquiat*, the lesser known of the two, is undoubtedly this summer's best kept cinematic secret.

Basquiat is art about art. It is the story of Jean Michel Basquait, a contemporary artist who started with nothing and in a sense ended with nothing. Loosely based on the real life events of his life, this film is alive and breathing. It spans the course of about 10 years, and delves deeply into the complex life that surrounded a simplistic man.

Jeffrey Wright stars as Basquiat himself. A more perfect actor could not be found to portray this quirky artist. Wright's face is actually hypnotizing. There is a sad kind of sweetness that emanates from the center of his eyes. The loose-jointed manner in which he strolls through the screen discerns him from the rest of the characters. Wright will make you fall in love with Basquiat.

The filmsuccessfullydepicts Basquiat as the victim without singing the "woe is me" song. He was the victim of drugs, victim of fame and the victim of the harsh city. Although he was hard core into drugs, especially heroin, the focus of the movie does not dwell on this fact. It was not turned into a "this is what happens to you when you do drugs" movie. Basquait's use of drugs was not forefront on the screen, instead the film focused on him as a person, not as a drug-user.

Along with the outstanding performance of Wright, the movie is full to capacity with talent. David Bowie plays a surprisingly excellent Andy Warhol. His presence on screen is essential to the story while adding in a sly strain of humor. Gary Oldham and Dennis Hopper each carry their own as well. Even Courtney Love has a brief (albeit annoying) cameo.

Basquiat died in 1988 from an overdose of heroin. This tragic ending to his life makes for an equally sad ending to the film. The closing scene leaves viewers with an empty ache and teary eyes.

Basquiat's tragic story is told.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Bored 'Novans can flock to Philly

You're back at school, you've hopped all the bars there are to hop and scoped all the freshman there are to scope. What the hell are you going to do between now and the crawl? Fear not Novan friends. Pick your heads up and look beyond our fair Main Line...nope, a little further, aaah, there it is! The City of Brotherly Love, home of Ben Franklin, cheesteaks and a plethora of piercing palaces - Philadelphia!! The following is your offical Villanovan guide to fun, interesting and (lo and behold) educational things to do in Philly, our neighbor to the East!

Popular Weekend and evening Attractions

The Italian Market-Discover the wonders of Italy at this old style ethnic market.
Location: 9th and Washington

South Street/ Headhouse Square- Shopping, dining and people watching. South Street has something for everyone. Come experience the flavor of Philadelphia.
Location:11th Street to Front Street and Second Street to Headhouse Square.

Manayunk- Right outside of Philly, this unusual neighborhood has a lot to offer. Full of shopping, entertainment, and bars this artsy area will be sure to please.
Location: Exit 31, Belmont Ave. off Route 76.

Penn's Landing-Frequent the various concerts, festivals, ships and fun that docks at Penns Landing.
Location: Delaware Avenue Philadelphia.

Historical Monuments/ Sites

Independence Hall - Walk into the past and discover where America's freedom all began with the signing of the Declaration of Independence.
Location: Chestnut Street between Fifth and Sixth streets.
Telephone: (215) 597-8974.

Liberty Bell Pavilion-Here the sound of freedom will always ring out at the home of the Liberty Bell.
Location: Market Street between Fifth and Sixth streets.
Telephone: (215) 597-8974.

Valley Forge National Historical Park-Have fun in the sun with picnics, bike rides and history all at once. Tour Washington's headquarters with the guides dressed to the nines.
Location: Valley Forge, Pa.
Telephone: (610) 783-1077.

Edgar Allen Poe National Historical Site -Get a chilling historical look at the home where the great and mysterious Poe grew up.
Location: Seventh and Spring Garden streets ,Philadelphia.
Telephone: (215) 597-8780.

Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site -Hear the tales of those who lived, died, escaped and didn't.
Location: 2125 Fairmount Ave. Philadelphia.
Telephone: (215) 236-7236

The "Notorious" Philadelphia Bus Tour-Discover some of Philadelphia's most offbeat locations. Hear the stories of real murders and modern miracles.
Location: Leaves from the Visitors' Center on 16th Street and JFK Boulevard.
Telephone: (215) 625-2681

Museums

National Museum of American Jewish History- Come in and peruse the rich Jewish cultural history displayed in various exhibits of this museum.
Location: 55 N Fifth St.
Telephone: (215) 923-3812.

Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts -Capture a glimpse of the finest collection of early American art on the East Coast.
Location: 118 N Broad St.
Telephone (215) 972-7600.

Academy of Natural Sciences-Lions and tigers and dinosaurs, oh my! Explore the natural wonders of our world.
Location: 19th and Ben Franklin Parkway
Telephone: (215) 299 1000.

Mutters Museum at the College of Physicians -Freaks of nature on display, what a relaxing afternoon.
Location: 19 S· 22nd Street between Chestnut and Market.
Telephone: (215) 563-3103.

The Franklin Institute-Walk through a giant heart, experiment with levers , pulleys and electricity or visit the dome like four story Omniverse Theater.
Location: 20th Street and the Parkway.
Telephone: (215) 448-1200.

Philadelphia Museum of Art-Visit one of Philadelphia's greatest museums. Run up and down the very same steps as Rocky.
Location: 26th Street and Ben Franklin Parkway.
Telephone:(215) 763-8100

Insectarium -The largest arthropod museum in Philadelphia. Witness all The creepy crawly things you can imagine.
Location: 8046 Frankford Ave. Philadelphia
Telephone: (215) 335-9501.

Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum -Come and explore the wide range of cultural artifacts and historical information.
Location: Seventh and Arch streets.
Telephone: (215) 574-0381.

Atwater Kent Museum -Explore the diversified history of the Philadelphia region.
Location: 15 S Seventh St.
Telephone: (215) 922-3031.

Norman Rockwell Art Museum-Explore the famous pieces of art by America's most well-known painter.
Location: Sixth and Sansom streets.
Telephone: (215) 922-4345.

Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and Garden- Take advantage of the beautiful landscape design offered by this renowned society.
Location: 325 Walnut St., Philadelphia.
Telephone: (215) 625-8250.

Restaurant/Bar/Winery

Chadds Ford Winery -Something sour something sweet--you decide.
Location : Route 1 Chadds Ford, Pa.
Telephone: (215) 388-6221.

Dock Street Brewing Company-Enjoy good food at Philadelphia's only grain brewery.
Location: 2 Logan Square, Philadelphia.
Telephone: (215) 496-0413.

Melrose Diner -Take a trip back in time when you enter this traditional 1950s diner. Great food and a great atmosphere.
Location: 1501 Snyder Ave. Philadelphia
Telephone: (215) 467-6644

Meiji-en Restaurant -Terrific sushi combined with a terrific view of the waterfront. Sure to make any occasion a memorable one.
Location: Pier 19 N. Delaware Ave., Philadelphia
Telephone: (215) 592-7100

Spaghetti Warehouse -One of the most unique dining experiences in Philadelphia. Furnished with antiques and odd pieces of furniture, this restaurant is a sure to make a good time. Dine in an old brass bed or a real live trolley car.
Location: 1026 Spring Garden St. Philadelphia
Telephone: (215) 787-1026

The Rose Tattoo Cafe -A cozy little cafe to put you in the mood for love. Slightly expensive, but probably worth it.
Location: 1847 Roosevelt Boulevard. Philadelphia
Telephone (215) 333-8800

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Location: 1310 Drury Street Philadelphia
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Warmdaddy's Blues Cafe -This New Orleans style restaurant will fill your belly warm with great food and soulful music.
Location: Front and Third streets.
Telephone: (215) 627-2500

Last Drop Coffee House -A great place for a great cup of hot steamy coffee and good conversation.
Location: 13th and Pine streets,Philadelphia
Telephone:(215) 893-0434

FUBAR -Get your dancing shoes and head on down to this typically fun dance club.
Location: 38th Street between Market and Chestnut streets
Telephone: (215) 386-8555

Milkbar- Philadelphia's most talked about bar and dance club.
Location: North Eighth St. between Spring Garden and Callohill
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Location: The Bistro Romano Restaurant at120 Lumbard St , Philadelphia
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Location: Pier 19 North Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia.
Telephone: (215) 413-1951.

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Philadelphia Zoo -America's first zoo is right around the corner with lots of things that you'll go ape over.
Location: 3400 W Girard Ave
Telephone: (215) 243-1100.

She's The One lacks sparks

By KAREN GOULART
Associate Editor

I took the last meager paycheck from my summer internship and plunked a portion of it down for the Tom Petty manifesto known as the soundtrack for the movie *She's The One*. I'm not a huge fan of Mr. Petty's music, but I was told it is a good listen and it is. I took what was left of that meager paycheck and plunked it down for a ticket to the movie that soundtrack was composed for, I'm not a big fan of romantic-type movies, but I was told it is a good flick and it's not.

Words like "visionary" and "deeper meaning" flittered through the theater as the last of my $6.50 rolled up the screen and I wondered if I had just seen the same film as my cinema-going peers. With an actual budget and the comfort of knowing he did not have to sneak around after hours to use studio equipment illegally, alleged wunderkind director Edward Burns falls short of the high expectations set by his acclaimed, shoestring budget sleeper hit, "The Brothers McMullen."

She's The One loosely follows the love lives of two competitive Brooklyn brothers, Francis (Mike McGlone) and Mick (Edward Burns) and their father (John Mahoney) who imparts to his boys several not-so-wise nuggets of wisdom while failing to notice his own marriage falling around him.

One of the biggest mistakes Burns makes in this flawed follow-up is casting his real life love as his on screen love. Mick and Hope meet when Mick picks up the auburn haired vixen in his cab and in a romantic off-screen 24 hour period the two: drive to New Orleans for her best friend's wedding, attend the wedding together, decide they were meant to be and get married on the dance floor at the reception.

Unfortunately, the real life sparks between the couple are simply not ignited on camera and the pair fizzles rather than sizzles. On his own, Burns is probably the best thing about the film. He is believable as a down-to-earth, gruff but loveable boy next door. It is the dead-weight, flat performance by his better half that drags him down giving the audience little reason to believe that "She's the One" for Mick.

The performances turned in by the other two "She's" in the film are both rather surprising. The first surprise is Jennifer Aniston not being as bad as one might suspect. Although her role as the jilted spouse of the callous Francis is not a very far cry from her part as "Friends'" Rachel.

She's still playing a whiny, complaining rich girl, but here's the catch--she's smart. And Aniston almost pulls it off as she battles her meddling parents and trampy younger sister, but there is still just enough Rachel showing to smite her attempts.

The other surprise is Cameron Diaz's supposedly breakthrough performance as Heather the hooker and near wife of both Mick and Francis. But whither Heather? She is central to the plot but we don't see much of her and when we do, things are less than impressive considering the build up her alter-ego has been given by every magazine to hit the newsstands in the last three months. Are we to be impressed simply by the fact that she made the big move from modeling to movies practically overnight? Sorry, but that's not quite enough.

Is this movie about the effects of an absent mother figure? Is it about the bonds forged between a father and his sons later in life? Is it about brotherhood? Is it about love in the '90s?

Is it about how guys can just be so stupid sometimes? Well, the plot drags on and then finds climax and resolve all in a span of what seems like 30 seconds in some bizarre act of *deus ex machina* and by the time it gets to that point an old *Villanovan* standby suddenly becomes relevant -- *Who Knows, Who Cares?*

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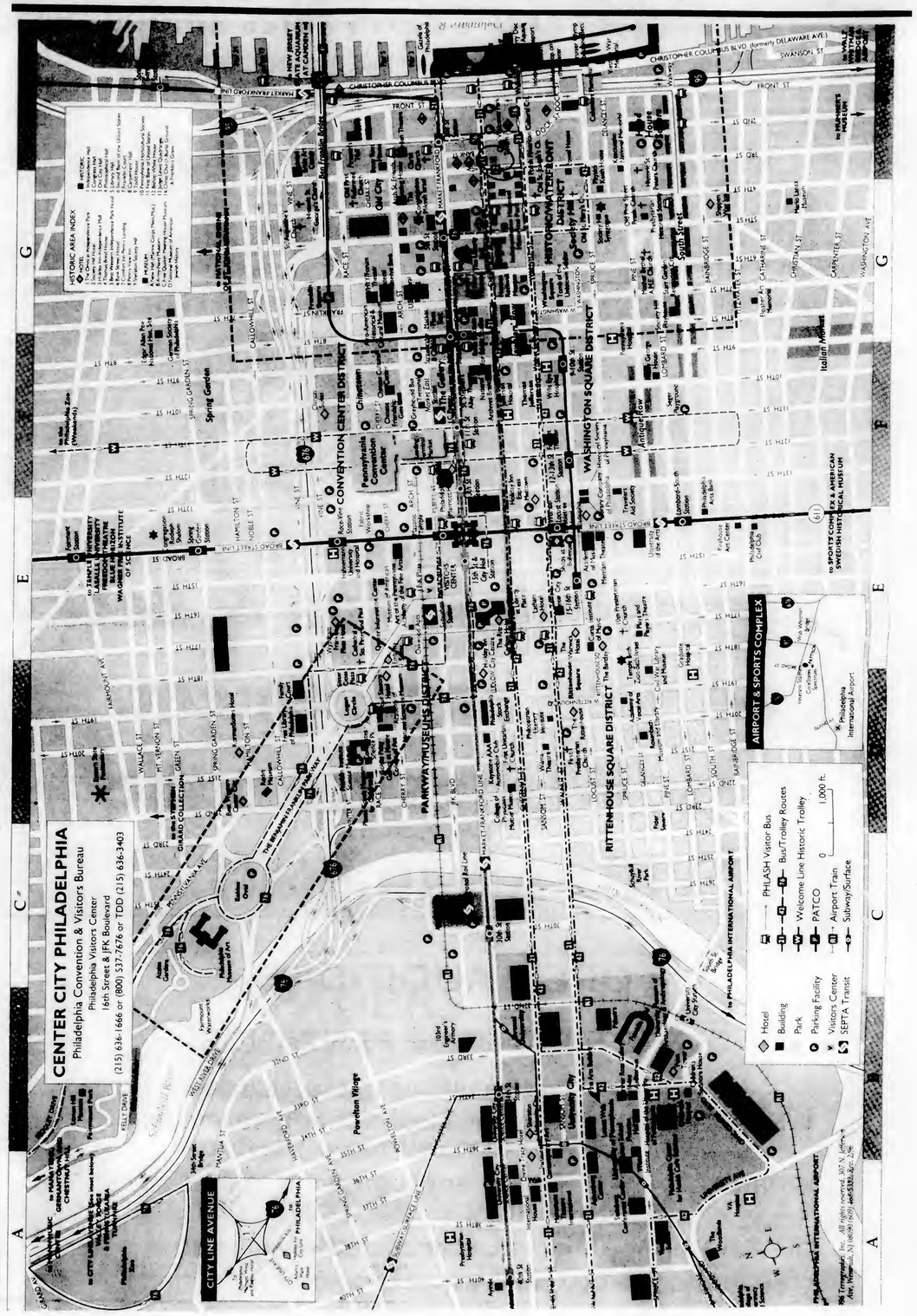

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Three Snakes and One Charm rates among best

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

Three Snakes and One Charm, the Black Crowes' fourth release, shows that the Georgia blues band has finally learned how to produce a commercial singles-based album without selling their soul for the consumption of the masses.

Three Snakes has the quality rocking singles that allowed the band to burst on the scene in 1990 with the album *Shake Your Money Maker*. The tracks "Good Friday" and "Bring On, Bring On" have the potential to receive as much air time as the ubiquitous "Hard To Handle" did back in the early 90s.

But where this album differs from *Shake Your Money Maker* is this one is more than just made-for-radio rock and roll singles. No, like 1992's *Southern Harmony and Musical Companion* and the commercially disappointing *Amorica*, *Three Snakes* uses hard blues and rivetting gospel to create portraits of many lost souls.

"Nebakanezer" paints the picture of a heroin addict and his wasted life ("Spent most of his time making holes and licking his wounds"). "Good Friday," the first single released from the album, gives an intimate glimpse inside lead singer Chris Robinson's personal life as he sings of a relationship that has just died. "I will not forget you, nor will I accept the blame. I will see you on Good Friday," Robinson sings as though the lyrics are directly from a personal conversation. In fact, Robinson's consistent use of first person narratives on this album give the listener a sense that, for the first time, the complex figure is really opening up. In most of the material on the previous three albums, the lyrics were broad and poetic, not insightful.

Part of the reason for this new sense of comfort on the part of Robinson might be the apparent reconciliation between him and his brother and fellow band member Rich Robinson. For most of the band's history there have been rumors that the two could not stand to be together, to the point where the band was constantly on the verge of break-up. Reportedly during last year's H.O.R.D.E. tour, which the Crowes headlined, Rich traveled on a separate bus from the rest of the group.

Whatever happened, the Robinson brothers definitely sound more in sync on this album than they ever have before. While many of the tracks on *Amorica* can only be described as disjointed, each of the 12 songs on *Three Snakes* is perfectly in balance. The "Shaft" baseline on "(Only) Halfway to Everywhere" perfectly complements Chris' torrid vocals, and the subtle, almost inaudible at points, musical score on "Bring On, Bring On" makes that song one of the most beautiful pieces recorded by a band in the 90s. In fact, it rivals "Melissa" by the Allman Brothers as the most touching song ever to come out of the Southern Rock genre.

With *Three Snakes and One Charm*, the Black Crowes have proved they are the legitimate heirs to the Allmans and Lynyrd Skynyrd in mixing rock and blues to create true art with music that is moving, thought-provoking and fun all at once.

Black Crowes rock 9:30 Club in D.C.

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

During a series of free or low-price shows at small clubs across the country leading up to the July 24 release of their fourth album *Three Snakes and One Charm*, the Black Crowes hit the 9:30 Club in Washington D.C. on July 21 for a sold-out performance.

Opening with the bouncy "Under A Mountain" from their new album, Chris, Rich and the boys tore through nearly two hours of material without stopping for even as much as a pause to speak to the crowd.

A Crowes show is generally a stripped down, no frills music fest, but even in their terms this was a spartan show employing only spot lights for effect and the stage decorations consisted solely of a few Persian rugs.

Luckily, the power of their blend of blues, gospel and rock was more than enough to make this the best club show I have ever seen.

Musically, the band played most of the new album, highlighted by the songs "Blackberry," "Bring On, Bring On," and "Good Friday" which was met with the most fan reaction being that it was the only song on the album available to the public up until that point.

Amorica was also heavily drawn upon. The searing "Gone" set the tone for the show and "Ballad in Urgency" and "Wiser Time" showed that the incredible breadth the Crowes' music has exhibited.

The second album, *Southern Harmony and Musical Companion*, was, oddly enough, completely missing from the set list which Chris Robinson reportedly creates anew only minutes before the start of each show.

The normally frenetic Robinson was uncharacteristically stationary throughout most of the show with one exception being his rendition of the group's first hit, Otis Redding's "Hard To Handle." Other selections from *Shake Your Money Maker* included "Jealous Again" and "Thick N' Thin."

On the whole, this show definitely did what it was meant to do – Provide a showcase where the band's fans could get a preview of *Three Snakes and One Charm*. None of the 800 Crowes followers present left unsatisfied.

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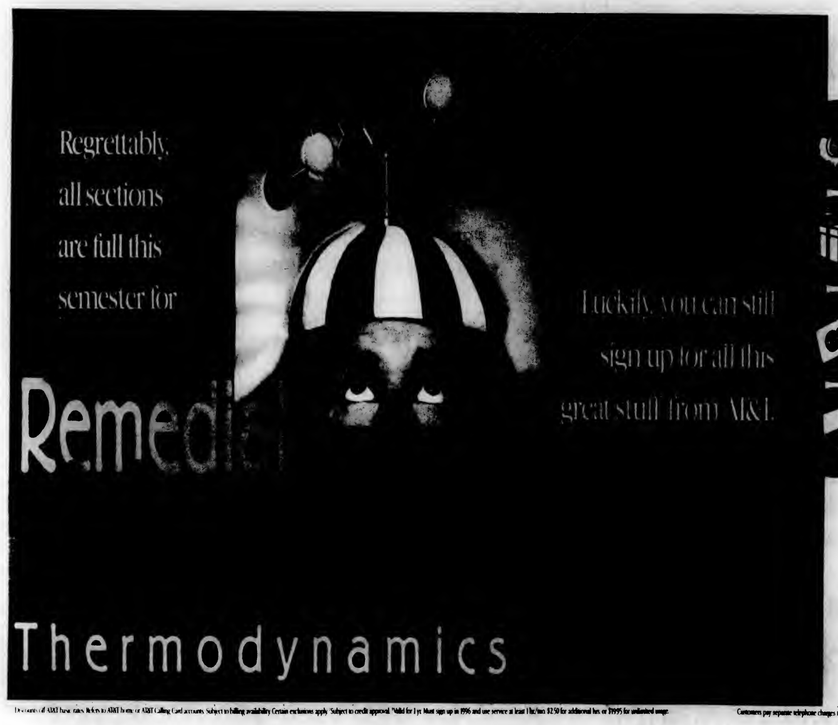

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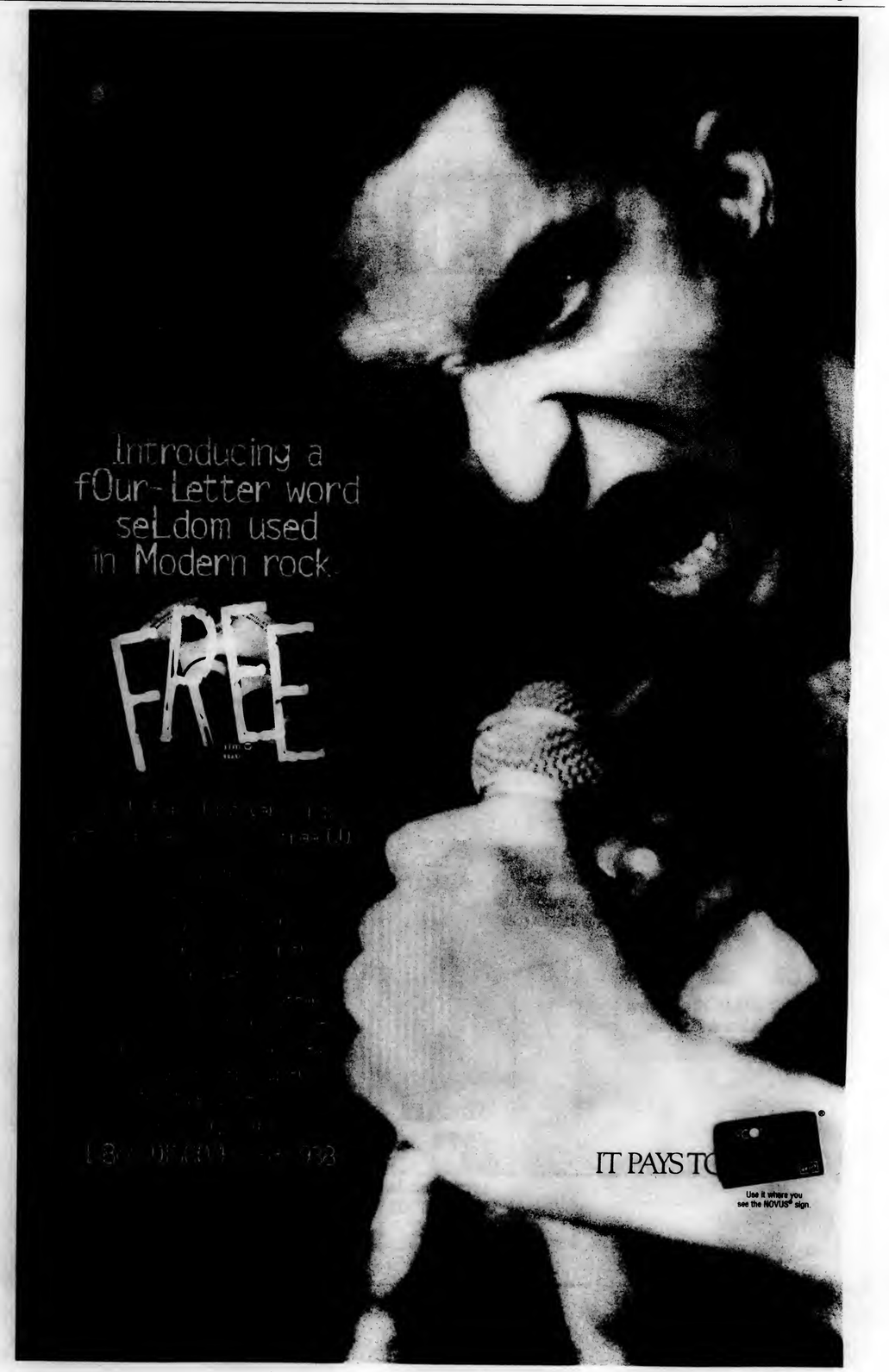

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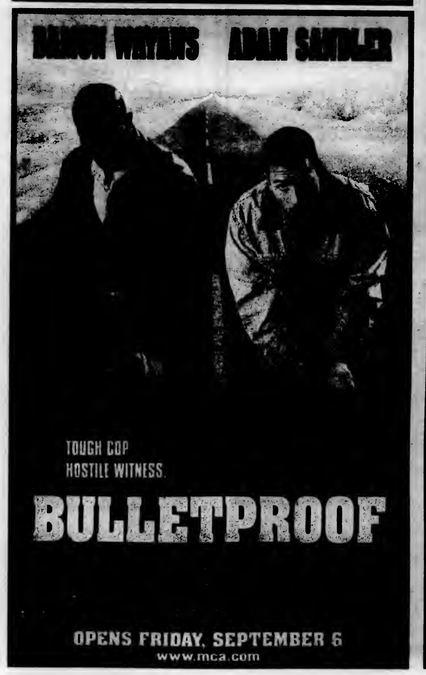

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Big changes for recreational facilities, intramurals

By JON NEHLSEN
Sports Editor

The advent of the new school year has brought some exciting changes to student recreation. The athletic department has announced expanded hours for current athletic facilities as well as plans for adding some new facilities.

Notably, the basketball courts at Jake Nevin and St. Mary's are now open until midnight every night. In addition, the weight rooms in Stanford and duPont are now open from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm weekdays. DuPont also has weekend hours from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm.

There were several factors that influenced the decision to expand the facilities, but student input was essential. Specifically, the insistence that there be opportunities for students to participate in non-alcohol-related activities on weekend nights played a role. Reportedly, the expansion of hours cost the school between $21,000 and $30,000.

"In the past, there expansion was always a funding issue, but the Alcohol Task Force really pushed for it and we were able to get it done," said Associate Athletic Director Dave White.

In a further effort to better serve the student community the department has moved equipment between the duPont and Stanford weight rooms. The demand was high for cardiovascular and Nautilus equipment in duPont.

"We thought that we could strike a better balance than we had in the past," said White. "We moved most of the free weights into Stanford and put the Nautilus equipment up in duPont."

The school has currently hired a firm to do a five-year study on the university's most pressing athletic needs. The department hopes this will help improve the coordination of current facilities as well as provide recommendations for additional possibilities.

"Villanova is unique because we have so many groups sharing so few areas." White said. "There has to be a great deal of give and take. Students should realize that we try to accommodate everyone, but funding is always tough."

One facility that the school has been able to add is beach volleyball sandpits on West Campus. To complement the new courts the department is installing grills and picnic benches.

In addition to the changes in the facilities, the intramural program has announced the addition of two new sports. The program will hold a sand volleyball tournament in the fall as well as a track meet on September 16. The meet is open to any student regardless of experience.

The intramural office emphasizes the need for student help both in participation and employment. Last year there were approximately 5,000 participants and Intramural Director Justin Sell hopes turnout will be even better this year.

"I just want to emphasize that this is the student's program," Sell said. "We could not make it go without the student's help and input. I encourage anyone with an idea for a new sport or to improve an existing sport to come in and talk with us."

Sell voiced his desire to add ultimate frisbee to the list of intramurals. The initial response has been great, but he needs people who know the rules to assist them in organizing a league.

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KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
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Ah Labor Day! To the true sports enthusiast this is definitely the greatest of all holidays because, 1) It means baseball is almost over, and, 2) Football has finally begun. So as I spent my three day weekend at the Villanovan's branch office in Tampa, Florida, I pondered the coming gridiron season and reached a few conclusions.

The first thing I decided was that I would like to personally thank Michael Irvin for taking up drugs and sex as his offseason hobby. It's good to see that he's willing to go that extra mile in keeping the old University of Miami tradition alive. Also, it shows Michael's laying the foundations for a post NFL career in Washington D.C. city politics. Thanks to Michael's little motel stay, the Birds will finally take the NFC East.

My next thoughts focused on another fine, up-standing former Hurricane - Jimmy Johnson. I hate him. Now, that wasn't really any kind of revelation, but now I have more of a reason to hate him. I was looking forward to seeing him guide the Dolphins to their usual early playoff exit. But then, to my utter horror, I discovered that Miami is actually going to have a running game this year. Now, granted, Kareem did get his 115 yards against the Pats, but it's still something to worry about. The reason the Fins always stink in the postseason is because their defense is just plain tuckered out. When you have Dandy Dan (Cover of GQ - I don't think so; then again they did once put Bob Saget on the cover) throwing 800 times a game, your defense is going to be on the field a lot. Given a running game, this postseason collapse is no longer inevitable.

Since I was in Tampa, my ponderings drifted to the Packers/Bucs game. Specifically, is Brett Favre better now that he's off the juice? I decided that this question remains unanswered after Week 1. Granted, he did have quite a game, and he made Keith Jackson look like he's still worth something, which I suppose is admirable, but, c'mon, it was still the Bucs. I say the Eagles take the Pack on Monday, and Mamula makes Favre want to make another trip to CVS.

Lastly, I rejoiced at the fact that the Giants and Redskins both still stink. This jubilation needs no explanation; it just makes me smile. However, don't fret all you New Yorkers and D.C. clowns out there. You still have the Yanks/O's race to savor, but, then again, baseball stinks anyway.

Diamond no longer sparkles with talent

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

Major League Baseball is in a horrific state of despair. The Grand Ole' Game is locked in the mediocrity and rapacity of today's players, or should I call them fiscal profiteers. The majority of the players are money moguls, but most of them don't have any legitimate right to be one. The fact of the matter is that today's pitchers and sluggers are not of the same caliber as the stars of yesteryear.

Team ERAs are at an all-time high, with the league average above five. The Detroit Tigers team ERA is a whopping 6.33. These guys have been serving tators better than the SPIT. Sure, modern day hitters are bigger than ever, with most of them sporting arms slightly bigger than their egos. But this is no excuse for the quality of pitching in baseball today or, for that matter, the lack there of.

Pitching used to be considered an art form. Greats such as Bob Gibson, Vic Rashi and Warren Spahn used to paint magnificent pictures on the level of Picasso with every pitch they threw. Majestic curve balls that meticulously brushed the black of the plate, fastballs so well placed that most hitters stood frozen, like a deer in headlights. These pitchers pitched. Today's pitchers throw. They hurl their cheese up to the plate not thinking about where to throw it or when to throw it. Their egos speak to them. Their egos tell them they can't be touched when throwing their "good stuff". They don't respect the hitter.

In the heyday of professional baseball, a 20 win season was an average year for a pitcher. Today, when a pitcher reaches the 20 win mark, he is the next Walter Johnson. The pitching today is so atrocious that the Yankees' Andy Pettitte could conceivably win the Cy Young with an ERA above four. Cy Young would be churning in his grave. There are some pitchers who even the most loyal fans have never heard of. The guys in the bullpen who pitch about once every millennium. Pitchers Mike "Papa Bear" Ocone and John "I am an athlete" Gagliano have actually pitched in the majors this year. The ability on the part of these pitchers is just not there. They should not be pitching at the Major League level.

Modern day sluggers are also part of this influx of mediocre talent. Some teams actually have some clown hitting in the number two slot in the batting order whose average is .240. These lowly teams are in dire need of some gift from the baseball gods. Teams lust for someone who puts the ball in play, hits for average, and can bunt in the number two slot, not one of these .240 hitters who strikes out over a hundred times a year.

The bottom line is that the talent and the skill is deficient. It is hard to believe this when some teams have a 19-year-old boy who was just shipped up to the Show from double- A Chattanooga throwing grapefruits toward the plate.

Their egos must get in the way of their ability to see. Granted, the cards are not always stacked in the hitter's favor, the strike zone is pretty big these days.

What can be done about the weakened, mediocre talent in baseball today? One suggestion is to bring back some of the legends of the game to teach these whining, over-paid, over-exposed players how the game is supposed to be played. That will work, won't it?

I can see it so vividly. Bob Gibson on the hill at the Jake, pitching a gem, one out away from tossing a no-hitter, and big, burly Albert Belle on his way to the plate.

After a few pitches on the outside corner, Gibson comes inside with some gas. Belle takes exception to the attempt on his life and charges the mound. A brawl breaks out.

After the game when reporters ask Belle for his explanation of his actions, Belle hurls a few chairs in their vicinity and shouts, "He was throwing at me !" Of course he was Albert. Of course he was.

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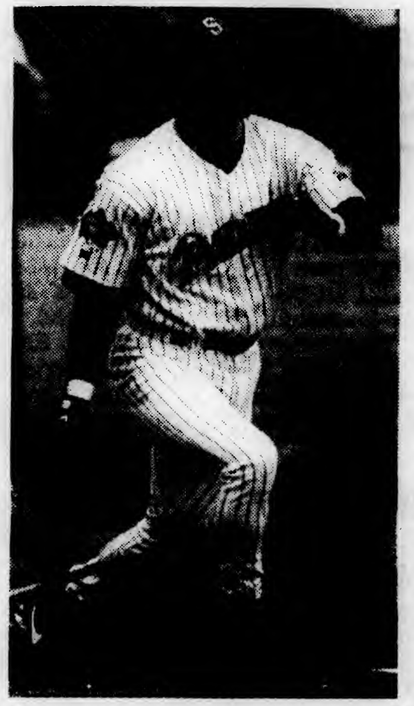

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Many major league pitchers are unwilling to brush menacing sluggers, such as the Padres' Ken Caminiti, off the plate.

Volleyball launches into new season with key returnees

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

With an experienced squad and a new head coach, the women's volleyball team will attempt to surpass the success of its 1995 campaign. They will open up their season with an appearance in the Hofstra Tournament.

Margaret D' Antonio begins her coaching career as the women's volleyball head coach after the resignation of former head coach Ron Twomey in April. D'Antonio compiled quite an impressive athletic record while a student at Ursinus College, where she graduated with 12 letters in collegiate varsity sports, including volleyball.

The team's ability to adjust will be a major factor this season. The Wildcats will begin the season with a freshman setter in Stacey Moline.

Junior Stacey Evans, who was named to the first team All-Big East squad for the second time last season, will be a key force in the Wildcats' quest for success this season.

After being named the Big East Rookie of the Year as a freshman, Evans had an outstanding sophomore campaign by leading the team in kills (442), hitting percentage (.295), and blocks (62 BS/ 65 BA). Juniors Marisa Davidson and Caroline Hahn will be crucial components as middle blockers for the team. Davidson finished second last season in total blocks while also leading the team in block assists.

Youth can enhance the overall depth of a team as seen through the efforts of sophomores Elizabeth Jones and Megan O'Brien. As a freshman, O'Brien broke the Villanova volleyball record for digs in a season with 574.

Jones finished right behind O'Brien in digs and led the team with 49 aces. Jones and O'Brien, outside hitters combining to make up the team's greatest strength, will be a force to be reckoned with this season.

Other key contributors who will play important roles are juniors Kara Meier, Kris Tomasovic, Christy Hansen and senior Debbi Picco.

Both Meier and Picco will increase their totals as they elevate their games to a higher level.

With the leadership of Captains Debbi Picco, Marisa Davidson and Stacey Evans, along with a new head coach in Margaret D'Antonio, the Wildcats have the potential to be very successful this season. After the Hofstra Tournament, the Wildcats will be heading to the Cal Berkeley Tournament on Sept. 7.

S P O R T S

Men's soccer starts season slowly in weekend tourney

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

Last weekend the men's soccer team kicked off its season by travelling to Annapolis, Md. for two games, tying Navy and losing to Towson State. Both games were close contests.

On Saturday, Aug. 31, the Cats played Navy to a scoreless tie. In a physical match that included 45 fouls, the two teams would duel it out over two regulation periods and two overtime periods without either flinching to the other.

"The team played excellent," said Coach Larry Sullivan.

Not only were the two teams even on the scoreboard, but they were statistically close as well, as Navy collected 11 shots on goal to Villanova's eight shots. Forward James Corcoran collected four of 'Nova's shots while the other four were spread among three different players. Corcoran, a junior, must step into the scoring spotlight this year, occupied last year by All Big East forward Doug Nevins, if there is any chance of success for the Cats. Last year Corcoran compiled 14 points for Villanova.

In net against the Midshipmen, junior goalie Matthew Westfall was stellar, collecting an early-season shutout. As the only starting goalie on the team this year, Westfall will have to continue last year's successes, when he held opponents to 1.98 goals a game.

The following day, the Cats had another physical battle with Towson State, but fell short 2-1. The deciding factor for Villanova was costly fouls, as Brian Williams was ejected from the game for receiving two yellow cards, leaving the Wildcats shorthanded for most of the second half. Fouls also cost the Cats in the first half, as Towson State scored both of its goals off of direct kicks. On the day, Towson State mustered 11 shots on goal.

"They took it to us early," stated Coach Sullivan.

Unlike Towson State's offense, Villanova's offense was shut down by its opponent, which allowed the Cats only six shots on goal. Wildcats Mike Paskey and Conor Porter each recorded two shots on net, while Paul Miraglia and Dan Bradford each collected one shot.

The Wildcat's only goal came midway through the second half when Conor Porter headed in a crossover pass off the foot of junior midfielder Kevin Mullin.

Because of their outstanding efforts in the two contests, both Westfall and Porter were selected to the All Tournament Team.

Despite getting off to a slow start, Head Coach Larry Sullivan is confident that the team will succeed this year, improving upon its 6-9-2 mark of a year ago.

"As long as the team stays healthy, and with the experience and substitutes we have, the team is able to make it to the Big East conference championship," said Coach Sullivan.

The Cats are now looking to turn things around against Big East rival Seton Hall at home on Sept. 8 at 1 p.m.

FILE PHOTO

The experienced men's soccer team is looking to improve upon last year's record, as well as fight for the Big East title.

The Villanovan's Athletes of the Week

Male
Brian Finneran
Football

Brian had 10 catches for 166 yards against the Rutgers Scarlet Knights.

Female
Jill Basile
Field Hockey

Jill collected two goals and contributed an assist in the team's first game. The senior leads an offense that was often criticised last season.

Composite Schedule for Home Games

Sat. Sept.	Women's Soccer vs. Boston College	1 p.m.
	Football vs. Massachusetts	1 p.m.
Sun. Sept. 8	Women's Tennis vs. Farfield	12 p.m.
	Men's Soccer vs. Seton Hall	1 p.m.
Tues. Sept. 10	Women's Soccer vs. G'Town	4 p.m.
Thurs. Sept. 12	Field Hockey vs. Drexel	4 p.m.

FILE PHOTO

In order for the squad to enjoy success this season, last year's lackluster offensive play needs to be improved upon. By all early indications, the offense is stronger.

Field hockey loses season opener to American, 8-4

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

The field hockey team opened its season this past Sunday with a disappointment at the hands of American University, coming out on the wrong end of an 8-4 decision. The score was tied at halftime, but American came out of the locker room too strong for the Wildcats, exploding for seven goals in the second half.

Add to this the fact that the Cats are coming off of a 5-15 season, and it is easy to see that the team still has a long way to go.

"Our team needs to learn how to win and what it feels like," said Head Coach Joanie Milhous. "We are too used to losing and that is something we don't want to get used to."

The Cats fell behind in this contest with 15:26 remaining in the first half. They came back to tie the score, however, with 6:31 left on a goal by senior Nina Berrettini off of a Jill Basile pass. That was all the scoring in the first half.

The tight defensive game played in the first half provided no warning of the barrage that would arrive in the second half. By the end of the contest, American's Stacey Sin Butt had struck for six goals, five of them in the second half. Sage Asteak netted American's other two goals.

American scored three consecutive goals to start the half, putting the Cats in a deep hole by the time that Basile scored her first goal of the season, again teaming up with Berrettini. Co-Captain Basile would add another score, assisted by Allison Parks, with 4:40 left in the game. It was already much too late, however, as the deficit stood at 8-3. Sophomore forward Lucy Durbin would add a final score for the Wildcats, making the final tally 8-4.

The game cannot be seen as anything but a disappointment for the Cats. They were hoping to erase the memories of last season and start out on the right foot this year. It did not happen. They can only hope to improve.

The team can find positives to build on. The defense was strong in the first half, yielding only six shots. They will need to avoid the type of breakdown, however, that triggered the second half onslaught.

The team can also look at its offensive output as a positive. Four goals is very significant to a team that scored only 23 all of last year. They also got excellent production from two seniors, Basile and Berrettini, who are being counted on to lead an improved offense.

The team's next chance to show its progress will be this weekend as they travel to William and Mary's campus to face Kent State tomorrow and William and Mary on Sunday. The team will return home to play Drexel on Thursday at Villanova Stadium at 4 p.m.

S P O R T S

Scarlet Knights declaw Cats, 38-28

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats stepped outside the confines of Division I-AA football last Saturday night to take on Division I-A Rutgers in New Brunswick, N.J., only to fall short, 38-28. Even though Villanova may have found itself in a different league when they took on the Scarlet Knights, they were not outclassed by their competition.

The Wildcats took control of the game early, dominating both offensively and defensively in front of 27,307 fans at Rutgers Stadium. On offense, instead of challenging Rutgers early by running the ball with its powerful backs, Villanova came out throwing, catching the Scarlet Knight defense off guard. For the first 25 minutes of the game, junior quarterback Clint Park confidently pushed 'Nova's newly developed version of the West Coast offense down the field for two scores and an early 14-0 lead.

On two consecutive possessions, the Wildcats would go 80 yards for touchdowns. The first of these drives lasted seven plays and 2:48, ending with a 15-yard touchdown pass. Park would complete 4 of 5 passes on the opening surge, as he clearly looked comfortable in the pocket.

After a Rutgers punt, the Wildcats once again took possession and marched down the field en route to a 1-yard touchdown run by fullback Ed Diaz. On the 13-play drive, Park would complete passes of 29, 14, 19 and 24 yards that took the Cats to the doorstep of the Scarlet Knights' end zone.

With the offense clicking early, 'Nova frazzled their opponents and found itself with an early 14 point lead with a little over three minutes left in the opening quarter.

"We knew we could play with them and we thought we could beat them," said Park.

Not only was Villanova's offense productive, but its defense was dazzling as well, forcing Rutgers to punt twice in its first three possessions. The Wildcats shut down the Scarlet Knight passing attack, confusing starter Corey Valentine, forcing him to throw an interception in the Wildcat end zone early. Valentine would be one of three quarterbacks Rutgers would use against 'Nova.

The highly-touted ground game for Rutgers was also unproductive against the Wildcat defense in the first half, as three backs averaged less than four yards per carry. For the game, however, the Scarlet Knights would rush for 128 yards on 50 carries.

Because Rutgers' offense could only muster one drive in the game that resulted in a touchdown, it had to rely upon its defense to capitalize on some costly Wildcat mistakes.

The Scarlet Knights did not get on the scoreboard until Park made his first miscue of the game early in the second quarter. With the Wildcats at their own 1-yard line, Park and tailback Anthony Cowsette botched a handoff, with the ball landing in the end zone. Rutgers' lineman Rashod Swinger fell on it for an easy touchdown that made the score 14-7 with 13:55 left in the half.

'Nova, however, did not flinch and came back with a touchdown resulting from a seven-play, 60-yard drive that took only 1:14. The score came on a pretty pass from 13 yards out, as Park looked the defense off, appearing as if he were going to throw to the right side of the field, but instead threw down the middle to wide receiver Josh Dolbin for the 21-7 lead.

Villanova, however, would allow Rutgers to climb back into the game in the next 12:41, as the Scarlet Knights pulled even with an 8-yard run by tailback Chad Bosch and a 4-yard pass from Ralph Sacca to Andy Holland.

Once again, the Scarlet Knights' scoring chances were the result of sloppy play by Villanova. Rutgers defensive back Gil Ross picked off a Park pass and returned it 49 yards to set up the tying touchdown. On the return, Ross fumbled at the 'Nova 5-yard line, but teammate Bryan Yeager was there to recover with under three minutes remaining in the half. The interception would be one of five by Park on the day.

"[The interceptions] were a combination of [Rutgers'] execution and some bad reads and throws on my part," said Park.

With the score tied at 21 going into the locker rooms, each team made adjustments, but it would be Rutgers that would come out on top.

Villanova, however, would score first in the second half, after Park threw a screen pass to Cowsette from 25 yards out. The touchdown with just under 10 minutes left in the third quarter gave the Cats their final lead of the game.

On Villanova's next possession, Park would throw an interception allowing Rutgers to tie the game on a 1-yard run. The same would occur a little over four minutes later on the Wildcats' next possession, as Rutgers' defensive back Cameron Chadwick picked off a pass and raced 53 yards down the sideline for a touchdown, giving his team its first lead of the game.

The Scarlet Knights would ice the contest later in the fourth quarter with a 48-yard field goal from placekicker Nick Mike-Mayer.

Park would struggle in the second half, going 8 of 24 and collecting four interceptions. For the game he was 24 of 56 with 350 yards.

On the ground, Villanova was only able to garner 68 yards on 27 attempts, using three different backs. Because the Cats were unproductive running the ball, the Rutgers' defense was able to key in on the Cats' passing game, confusing Park with differing pass coverages in the second half.

"We couldn't run, so they knew we were throwing the ball every time," said Park. "But I don't think I can necessarily blame the interceptions on [the lack of running]."

Despite the loss, the Wildcats were able to tally some superb performances. Both receivers Brian Finneran (10-166) and Dolbin (6-94) had excellent outings for Villanova.

The Wildcats now look forward to opening the home season Saturday against Massachusetts at 1 p.m.

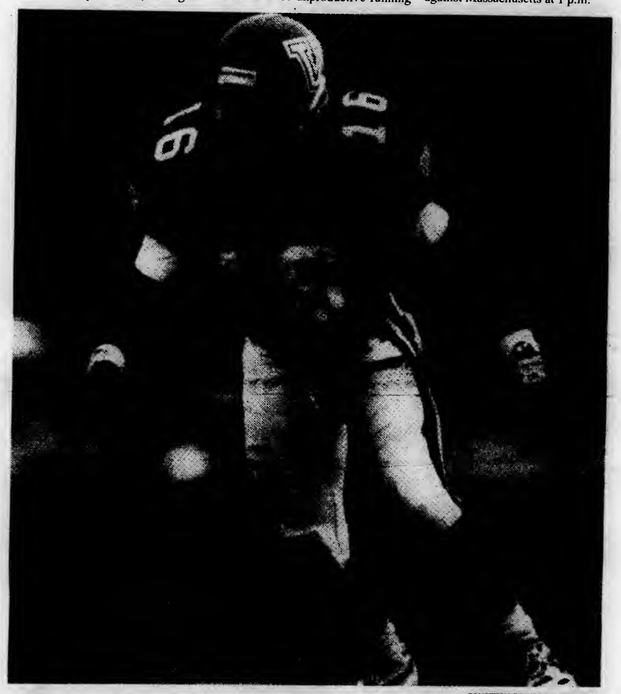
Scoring Summary

1st Quarter
VU - Finneran 15 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU - Diaz 1 run (Kiefer kick)

2nd Quarter
RU - Swinger fumble recovery in end zone (Mike-Mayer kick)
VU - Dolbin 13 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
RU - Bosch 8 run (Mike-Mayer kick)
RU - Holland 4 pass from Sacca (Mike-Mayer kick)

3rd Quarter
VU - Cowsette 25 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
RU - Stephans 1 run (Mike-Mayer kick)

4th Quarter
RU - Chadwick 53 interception return (Mike-Mayer kick)
RU - Mike-Mayer 48 FG



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The Wildcat defense, led by senior All-America candidate Curtis Dunaway, stymied Division I-A Rutgers. Once again, the defense is expected to anchor the squad this season.

Athletic department crafts deal with Nike

By JOE PATTERSON
Editor-in-Chief

Villanova Athletics and Nike have agreed in principle to a contract concerning corporate sponsorship. The deal is worth approximately $3 million over seven years.

Nike will provide Villanova with certain athletic apparel, including basketball jerseys, and will sell other athletic goods to the teams at greatly reduced prices.

The football team is already wearing Nike footwear and the basketball team can expect new uniform designs on a yearly basis. Since the football team just purchased new uniforms last season, the Nike wear will be phased in gradually.

This most recent deal adds to an already impressive list of corporate sponsorship programs concerning the Athletic Department. These added sources of revenue have allowed the Athletic Department to undertake many projects to better accomodate the Univeristy's student athletes.

The Nike contract is not exclusive for all athletic merchandise. For example, consumers will still be able to find Villanova athletic wear that does not bear the Nike label.

Women's soccer team poised to kickstart Big East season

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team is charged up for this season, and it showed on Aug. 28 when their exhibition game with Fordham University was halted due to lightning in the second half with the Cats leading 4-1.

The head coach of the Wildcats, Shelly Chamberlain, is entering his fifth season with the core of his team still intact from last year. Coach Chamberlain hopes to build on a 1995 record of 11-6-2 with the help of a solid group of returning starters and an impressive recruiting class.

"We would like to earn a Top 20 ranking throughout the season and qualify for the NCAA Division I Tournament, where only the 32 best teams are invited," Coach Chamberlain said.

The 'Nova offense will be guided by junior forward Maura McGhee, the team leader in points in 1995. McGhee recorded 23 points, netting nine goals and supplying five assists. Joining McGhee on the front line will be junior goal-scorer Nicole Posillico, who found the net nine times last year and senior co-captain Debbie Pickrel, who is also a key scoring threat.

The midfield for Villanova is vital for success this season. The return of junior midfielder Molly Bushman, who started all 19 games last year, is important. Even with Bushman's contributions, players that saw major minutes last year such as Megan Schlussel, Gigi Romero and Christina Coroneos will need to contribute even more this year.

Senior Co-Captain Kara Stanislawczyk will anchor the experienced back line for the Cats as she joins juniors Beth McCaffery and Stephanie Shields, all of whom started every game in which they played.

In the net for the Wildcats will again be sophomore Jeanne Hennessy. She is looking to build on an impressive freshmen campaign that saw her post a 1.70 goals against average and a 9-6-2 record.

The Big East season begins tomorrow for 'Nova against Boston College as they will try to avenge a tough 2-1 loss last September.

"It was a tough loss after we opened up the season against [George] Mason, who was highly ranked and we beat them in overtime 3-2," said McGhee. "It was also disappointing to lose to BC because it is such a big rivalry."

McGhee looks for this year's game to be another competitive battle, but pointed out that Villanova has a definite advantage with the game being at home this year. The game will be at 1p.m. on the Villanova Soccer Field located on West Campus.

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Dole to give crime speech on campus

By JONATHAN KLICK
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Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole will give an address Monday at 11 a.m. in the Jake Nevin Field House. The topic of Dole's speech will be crime.

"It's a major policy announcement," said Jeff Weiss, the lead advance person for the Dole/Kemp campaign. Vice presidential candidate Jack Kemp will also be in attendance during the address as will a number of Republican governors from across the country.

Villanova was selected from a list of potential sites in the area for the speech, and school officials held meetings throughout the week to hammer out the logistical details that are encountered in such a large scale event.

One of the major difficulties discussed was the tremendous parking problem that will be created given the already tight parking conditions that exist on campus. A partial remedy for this was the suggestion that members of the press, which may number as many as 100 domestic and foreign correspondents, and other participants in the 22 vehicle motorcade that will transport the governors from Philadelphia International Airport park in a lot at the Valley Forge Military Academy. The governors and members of the Dole campaign will then be bused to the Field House.

In a meeting on Tuesday, school officials also discussed the possibility that many students would not be permitted to attend the address because of lack of seating.

Due to the poor acoustics in the field house, it was questioned whether or not the balcony bleachers should be used. Without that seating, Nevin's capacity numbers less than 1,000. Much of that space would be filled by local guests invited by the Dole campaign.

Apparently, the larger John E. duPont Pavilion could not be used because of the negative implications of giving a speech about crime in a building named after a person who is currently being tried for murder in Delaware County, according to school officials. The stadium was also discounted as a potential site due to concerns over the weather and the added time necessary to prepare the site.

Eventually, Weiss made the decision that Nevin's balcony seating could be used for students. Fifteen hundred tickets will be made available for those seats beginning today at 9 a.m. in the Student Development Office.

Director of Student Development Randy Farmer expressed satisfaction that a large number of students will be admitted. "Students are very interested in this kind of activity," he said. When it was suggested that many students will stay away due to classes, Farmer answered, "This kind of a choice will present a pretty attractive dilemma for our students."

The decision to distribute tickets ahead of time was made to avoid a mob scene in front of the field house. "I was at one of these a number of years ago that students couldn't get in, and it turned ugly," said Jeffrey Horton, director of the Office of Public Safety.

To increase opportunities for students and members of the community to view the speech, a proposal was made to broadcast the address to either the Connelly Center Cinema or the duPont Pavilion.

Presidential candidate Bob Dole will unveil his position on crime during a speech in the Jake Nevin Field House on Monday at 11 a.m.

Dole's workers will begin setting up the staging area on Sunday morning. "This is kind of an elaborate stage production," said Weiss, adding that two jumbo-trons will be installed in the field house and three large trucks will be brought in to provide air conditioning for the gymnasium. A special stage will also be brought in for the event.

Weiss said that Dole's speech will last approximately one hour. After the completion of his address, the candidate will leave the campus, but the governors will remain to field questions from the press. This session with the governors will be open to the press only.

Task force targets problem of alcohol abuse

By JOE PATTERSON
Editor-in-Chief

While Villanova may have always had a reputation as a "party school," a recently completed report offers hard data on the subject. In every measurable category, the University's use and abuse of alcohol surpasses the national average.

"It's clear from these numbers that Villanova, as a whole, has a problem with alcohol," said the Rev. John Stack, O.S.A., dean of students. "In many ways, the survey actually backs up what we knew intuitively."

In March 1995, University President the Rev. Edmund Dobbin, O.S.A., created a University Task Force to study the effects of alcohol use and to examine appropriate responses. The task force completed a survey of alcohol use on campus, comparing the results to national averages.

The findings (shown in Table A) demonstrate clearly that Villanova has an active alcohol culture. In fact, the average Villanova student consumes over 10 drinks per week, far above the national average of 4.5. Although the report focused primarily on alcohol, the survey also uncovered that Villanova students are also more likely to use tobacco or marijuana, with two-fifths of the student population admitting to using marijuana in the past year.

Richard Neville, vice president for Student Life, was appointed chairman of the task force. By May 1996, the task force produced a report entitled "Changing the Campus Culture on Alcohol Use and Abuse." In the cover letter to the report, Neville wrote that the document is a "strong start to our determined efforts to alter the community culture concerning alcohol abuse." He added, "We don't consider the document definitive in any way; instead we are hopeful it will act as a springboard for additional ideas."

A steering committee has been charged with implementing the suggestions of the task force. These suggestions center upon five themes, ranging from increasing "community awareness" to exploring "ways to improve the social climate for undergraduates." These themes include 21 more specific proposals, such as support for the "Senior Service Saturday," which Stack termed a "noble effort, and discussion of postponing Rush until sophomore year. Certain ideas, such as expanding the hours for athletic facilities and stiffening the penalties for alcohol violations, have already been implemented.

The Villanova study can be viewed within the context of other national studies. The Harvard School of Public Health produced a report this summer that found that binge drinking (consuming five or more drinks at a single sitting) varied greatly from campus to campus, with some colleges posting rates of one percent while other colleges' rates climbed as high as 70 percent. The Harvard study also found that "the strongest predictor for binge drinking was found to be fraternity or sorority residence or membership." For example, "sorority members were nearly twice as likely to be binge drinkers as other female college members."

Clearly, though, with 68 percent of Villanova's population admitting to

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Table A	Villanova%	U.S.%
"Binged" within the last two weeks	68	39
"Blacked out" during the past year	47	26
Had Hangover	83	61
Got Nauseated	73	48
Engaged in vandalism	15	8
Got into a fight	49	30
Done something later regretted	58	36
Missed class	56	29
Performed poorly on test or project	30	20
Used alcohol during the last year	94	85
Used marijuana during the last year	40	25
Used tobacco during the last year	47	26

Average drinks per week:

Villanova	10.4
U.S.	4.5

1995 Freshmen survey on substance use as H.S. seniors

	Villanova	Other Private	Other Catholic
Smoked Cigarettes	10.7	8.8	11.3
Drank Beer	74.0	54.3	58.5
Drank Liquor	70.9	57.2	58.2

St. Thomas of Villanova Day celebrates tradition

By CLAIRE REHWINKEL
News Editor

September 5 marked the University's first annual St. Thomas of Villanova festival. The event, which was organized, planned and carried out in its entirety by members of the University community, was intended to celebrate both the beginning of the academic school year as well as the feast of Villanova's patron saint.

"The idea for the day had been thrown around for years but it was never thought there was a place to hold it [the event]," said Terry M. Sousa, assistant director for University Events and Catering. Finally, last year the Rev. Shawn Tracy, O.S.A., former director of Campus Ministry, re-submitted the idea on a Villanova Quality Improvement (VQI) suggestion form. Consequently, the University's Committee on Community formed a steering committee to put the plan into action. The board members included Tracy and Sousa, as well as Jack Doody, associate dean of Arts and Sciences for Core Humanities and, Beth Hassel, current director of Campus Ministry.

St. Thomas of Villanova Day was kicked off with over 1,300 students, staff and faculty members attending a Liturgy in the Grotto. "This event represented the real reason that we are all here," said Sousa. The ceremonial portion of the day then continued with the presentation of staff and faculty awards at the convocation held in duPont Pavilion. "Next year there is hope for even more student involvement with this portion of the day," said Sousa.

The convocation was followed by a parade from duPont Pavilion to Mendel Field. "The parade portrayed all of the different areas of the Villanova community and the need for each one to make the University what it is," said Sousa. "You can't just have the staff and faculty jet alone," she added.

The event concluded with a festival dinner on Mendel Field. "We likened Villanova to a medieval town feast," said Sousa. "That was the theme."

Every aspect of the University's musical activities was featured in an entertainment showcase as a dinner, consisting of antipasto, assorted breads, roasted pork, vegetables and more, was served to over 6,000 members of the University community. "I was shocked," said Sousa. "It was an incredible feeling. It far surpassed our hopes and expectations," she added.

"Everyone said to start small and to grow with time. This was small! You should have seen our original ideas," said Sousa. "We had nothing but positive feedback, and we hope to make St. Thomas of Villanova Day a tradition at the University," Sousa said.

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EDITORIALS

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FEATURES

For those of you who couldn't believe we actually went a week without a WXVU article, don't fear. Here it is, a piece on the radio station no one can hear. Also, finally Fr. Ed Hastings gets press for something good. And all you stupid people out there can skip this week's Major Trouble which focuses on that ever useful Honors degree.

ENTERTAINMENT

After making the decision to reverse its long standing policy of only giving CAT bad press, find out all the neato stuff that's going on this year. If the fine dining at the newly rennovated SPIT is too high class for you, check out what your alternatives are up and down the Main Line. Finally, apparently the impossible has happened and Kevin Costner actually made a movie that doesn't bite.

SPORTS

The 'Cats blew out UMass last Saturday. Apparently Massachusetts only has enough cash to pay its hoops players. The Villanovan's phone was ringing off the hook last week; everybody wanted to know "Where's Fire and Ice?" Well, since you demanded it, we went and bought them out of the contract they had signed with Sports Illustrated, and they're back this week. Finally, Klick explains why Philly fans rock.

Donahue renovations capped off with convenience store opening

By KELLY BLEVINS
Staff Reporter

The improvements of food and dining services on South Campus continued on Tuesday Sept. 10 with the grand opening of Donahue Market. The new convenience store, the first of its kind on campus, is part of the extensive renovation to Donahue Hall, which now houses a mall-style food court and a health conscious food bar, as well as the new market.

To coincide with the opening of the new convenience store, a day of festivities was planned "to kick off the market and court to the Villanova community and make it known throughout campus," said Mike McGuckin, product and marketing manager for Dining Services. A reception was held at 11 a.m. Tuesday for the deans and vice-presidents of the University, followed by a grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremony, complete with balloons.

The market opened to the public later that day. Representatives from Pepsi, Jack and Jill Ice Cream and Columbo yogurt were present throughout the day to give away their products. Students could also enter a raffle to win walkmans, alarm clocks and other prizes. "It was a great opening to the store, a way to celebrate all of the hard work put into the project," said Keri McDonnell, a worker at the dining hall.

The market is the result of student focus groups conducted by Cini-Little, a food service consulting group hired by Dining Services to improve the eating facilities on campus. "The various focus groups organized over the past year recognized the need for a convenience-style store at Villanova. We started construction on the project immediately following graduation and were working right up until orientation," said McGuckin.

Donahue Market offers the food and services of a typical convenience store. Bottled juices, sodas, ice cream, snacks, grocery items, cold salads and sandwiches are all for sale. The store also offers hot foods such as pizza, rotisserie chicken and soft-serve frozen yogurt. A limited assortment of health and beauty aids and office supplies (products previously sold only at the bookstore) are also available.

The market is open from 1 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The hours of the store allow student access to food during times that the dining hall is not open. "The market accepts meal plan points from the Wildcard. For this reason, the food points on almost every meal plan were doubled this year so students could have flexibility in their selection of meals," McGuckin said.

The dining room of Donahue Hall will remain open during the same hours of the convenience store, giving students a place where they can eat, study in groups, hold meetings or socialize. "We feel that these changes made to Donahue Hall will improve service to students and increase the variety that they have, as well as providing a social center on South Campus," McGuckin said.

Efforts made to stop blackouts in Sheehan

BY CALISTA HARDEN
Assistant News Editor

The entire campus experienced a blackout for an hour last Friday due to a mishap with a Philadelphia Electric Company (PECO Energy) power line. Unrelated to the blackout predicament, electrical power outages have regularly plagued Sheehan this year.

Fortunately, both situations should not trouble students any further. "We are trying our best to supply students with safe, reliable power. When an outage occurs, we try to get electricity back on line as soon as possible without any danger to students," said Steve Cauterucci, electrical supervisor.

An out of the ordinary occurrence triggered the campus blackout. The cause was not determined. Something went awry with PECO Energy utility lines Friday, that sent a 13,200 volt surge into the University's substation equipment. The jolt tripped the main service breaker and, as a result, a safety device shut off power to prevent damage or electrical fires in buildings. When the PECO Energy line regained its function, facilities crews made certain that circuits were cleared and re-energized campus power lines.

Sheehan first experienced outages in separate wings. Facilities tried to solve this by balancing the electricity among the three hotlines, which are called phases. An overload in one phase was causing the other phases to overload. Despite the new distribution to prevent overloading in the phases, problems with Sheehan's main breaker shut off power in the whole building on Sunday. On Monday, recorders were placed on the 400 amp breaker. Tuesday night, 443 amps tripped the breaker. After unloading and reloading circuits, usage was reduced to 396 amps.

While Sullivan, Austin and Corr encountered outages last year and were rewired this summer, Sheehan did not have problems. Now that Sheehan has regular outages, it will be rewired next summer for a permanent repair. A temporary solution will take amperage off of the main breaker by hooking up panels in a different way. The temporary hook-up was scheduled to be completed by the end of the week and will eliminate the power failures in Sheehan.

The main campus had a planned blackout two weeks ago so that the new engineering building could be tied into the transformer. It happened between 3 a.m. and 5 a.m. so to least inconvenience students and not impede Dougherty dining facilities or classes. Power may need to be shut down to main campus again for the new facility, but it probably will be during a vacation.

Power failures have become more common in dormitories in recent years. "With the advent of computer connectivity, electrical usage has spiraled," said Cauterucci. A computer hard drive and monitor alone use 12 amps. With the growing population of personal computers in residence halls, the maximum power supply can be exceeded easily in the older buildings like Sheehan.

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Fall '98 is target for engineering building

By NICOLE ESPOSITO
Staff Reporter

The Engineering Laboratory Building, currently being constructed just southwest of Tolentine Hall, will provide the most modern technology and foster teamwork among engineering students, according to Robert D. Lynch, dean of the College of Engineering.

Its projected completion date is December 1997, but it will not be totally accessible to students until the fall term in 1998. "The time of completion depends upon the weather conditions this winter," said Lynch. "We hope to begin moving in during the spring term of 1998 and to have it in full operation by fall of 1998," he added.

The idea for this building is not a new one. In November 1993, the College of Engineering submitted a strategic action plan to the University. Its primary goal was "to construct and equip a new engineering laboratory building, to be used to support laboratory instruction and research." The Board of Trustees authorized Architects to start work on the plans for the new building in June 1994, and ground was broken on June 7, 1996.

According to Lynch, the laboratory facilities now being used by the College of Engineering are housed in buildings constructed between the years 1929 and 1974 and need to be up-dated.

"Technology has changed dramatically in that time period. We have outgrown those labs. They are just not sufficient for our current needs," Lynch said.

The new four-level building will include 30 instructional and research laboratories, an interdisciplinary student projects laboratory, a computer-aided engineering center, 12 student group study rooms and a multi-media lecture hall that will seat 140 people. Each floor will also have a student advising room and a conference room.

Lynch calls this building "a true laboratory building." He believes that its layout and facilities will establish a spirit of teamwork among engineering students.

"Labs from different departments will be integrated according to function to basically provide interaction between faculty and students from different majors, because engineers are increasingly working as teams. . . Through this building, we hope to create an environment of working together at Villanova so that students are prepared to enter the workplace," Lynch said.

The multi-media lecture hall will not only benefit engineering students but the entire university because it will be used by all students. John Gallen, executive director for Facilities Management, said, "The multi-media lecture hall is a step up and shows the modern direction in which we are headed."

Lynch said, "The Engineering Laboratory Building indicates the University's commitment to having a premier engineering program which will tell the outside world that Villanova will be educating engineers for the next century."

PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

Construction of the new engineering building is underway near Tolentine.

New C&F dean gets down to business

By KEN RACOWSKI
Staff Reporter

The 1996-97 academic year at the University is beginning with a new dean leading the College of Commerce and Finance. Thomas F. Monahan, Ph.D., C.P.A., is replacing John A. Pearce, who tendered his resignation to the University earlier this summer after one year of service in the position.

Monahan is wasting no time in getting settled into his new position. He is already working toward a number of initiatives to improve both the College of Commerce and Finance and the University. His major plans for this year include the further integration of Arts and Sciences courses in the Commerce and Finance curriculum, while continuing to overlay this Arts and Science base with practical business knowledge of the ever-changing corporate world.

Monahan obtained an undergraduate degree in economics at Hofstra University, his M.B.A. in finance at Rutgers, and a Ph.D. in accountancy at Temple. He has been a professor of accountancy at the University for the past 16 years and has been recognized for teaching excellence at both Villanova and LaSalle University.

Monahan also served as a Financial Analyst and currently is a C.P.A. in New Jersey. He was approached this summer by John R. Johannes, vice president of Academic Affairs, and asked about the possibility of assuming the position of Commerce and Finance Dean. Upon acceptance of this new position, Monahan was convinced to forgo his work in the classroom for the first year while he concentrated on this position.

While he will greatly miss the personal interaction with his students, he is excited about the possibilities that his new position holds. He said, "I like the opportunity to help respond to the changes that our students are currently facing in this new technology driven environment, and am excited about working with our faculty to build on our past accomplishments and position ourselves for the 21st century." However, Monahan does plan to return to the classroom for the start of the 1997 fall semester.

In addition to replacing the dean, the College of Commerce and Finance is beginning the year with a new associate dean and new chairpersons in four out of six departments. Monahan believes that it is this new administration and the rich supply of human resources within the college that will allow it to accomplish the goals of its wide-sweeping improvement agenda. He said, "I feel unbelievably fortunate to have Matt Libertore as associate dean and 85 completely dedicated faculty members as partners to assist me in aggressively moving on a number of strategies."

Woven within all of Monahan's plans for the college and for the University over the next few years is the importance of the faculty's dedication to teaching. He said, "We will continue to operate with teaching being the cornerstone of our academic plan with faculty members engaged in research that will benefit their careers, while enhancing the intellectual climate of their classroom."

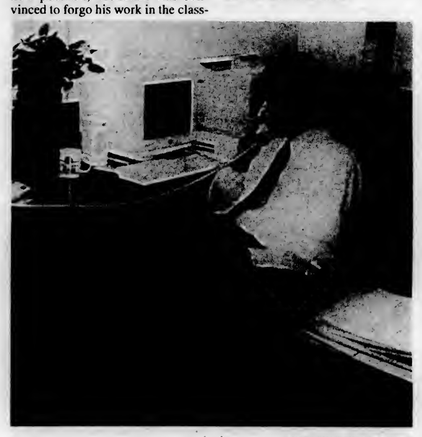

PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN

Dean Monahan sits in his office for the first time this fall.

Task force hopes to change attitudes

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binge drinking, and roughly 40 percent of the population in the Greek system, fraternities and sororities do not explain fully the incidence of binge drinking. "I think that underage drinking and abusive drinking exists whether you're in a Greek organization or not," said Stack. "That being said, I think that there is a culture around the male Greek organizations that fosters more abusive drinking. That's something I've seen in my 15 years here." He was quick to add that the Greek life is an important part of "building community" on campus.

In fact, part of the problem may stem from the type of student Villanova attracts. Since it draws primarily from the Northeast, a higher rate of alcohol abuse can be expected. For example, over 70 percent of the incoming freshmen classes admit to having consumed beer in high school, well above the national average for private four year colleges of about 50 percent.

"I think that you can expect that many kids going away to college are going to experiment with alcohol," said Stack. "Unfortunately, because of state laws, we can't foster experimentation by 19 and 20-year olds in a responsible way."

In any event, setting a priority on combatting alcohol abuse is a dramatic reversal of the attitudes of a decade ago when on-campus kegs were approved. University liability is a major reason for the change, but so too is the growing intolerance for the second-hand effects of intoxication, such as vandalism and sexual misconduct.

Greek leaders unite at retreat

BY KATIE LOPER
Staff Reporter

On Sept. 6, all the chapter presidents of the University's fraternities and sororities held the first ever weekend- long retreat. The event was set up to organize the leaders of the Greek associations, to discuss campus issues, to learn leadership skills and, ultimately, to get to know one another.

There have been retreats in the past, but none have been like this particular one, which took place at a retreat house in Limerick, Pa., under the guidance of an outside consultant named David Stollman. The initial purpose was to enhance leadership abilities; but the trip, sponsored by the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the Panhellenic Council, became a time for the presidents of the different organizations that were present to bond, and to concentrate on other issues that were at hand.

The issues included new service oriented projects. In the past, most of the fraternities and sororities would donate to a certain cause through events such as a charity softball game. Teams would pay to play, have a good time, and the money would go to the charities stipulated by the organization. Yet many did not see where the money was going, which ultimately lessens the impact of the cause. In the future, the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council would like to see more hands on activities such as volunteering at soup kitchens, or spending a Saturday at one of the local Habitat for Humanity projects.

Another issue brought to the forefront was the alcohol policy at the various "TG's", or fraternity-sorority mixers, that are held. "The presidents decided on a new, more responsible policy which would reduce the risk to members for liability sake, and of course to other members involved," said Megan Joyce, the Panhellenic Council President. In this policy, the Greeks are taking a new step toward responsibility in this area of concern.

IFC President Neil Holland noted that because of the large attendance of eight sororities and 13 fraternities, the retreat went well in accomplishing its goals. As part of the retreat the members engaged in a ropes course, in which they had to rely on their teammates in order to finish the course. This event, as well as guest speakers that spoke of looking into the future and of what each individual can do, accomplished the goals of the weekend.

Even though it was the first time that this retreat was held, many hope to see it to continue into the future. Although it was intended to be a leadership training course, it was also a time for the various people in attendance to share their concerns with one another and talk about new ways to improve Greek Life at the University.

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

'Nova treads uncertain waters with assault on alcohol culture

Villanova University is plastered. As a population, we're a bunch of drunks. Or so it would seem from the in-class survey that was conducted at the request of the Alcohol Task Force.

Maybe we're not stumbling to class with a Bud in hand, but the numbers do paint a striking picture. While the rest of the nation's "binge drinking" rate hovers at 39 percent, 68 percent of us admit to having binged in the past two weeks. Our vandalism rate doubles the national average, as does our alcohol-induced truancy.

Some will doubt the validity of these numbers and recount stories of other campuses that are awash in booze. But according to a study published by Harvard's School of Public Health this past summer, Villanova's rate is within a couple of percentage points of claiming the national title.

Indeed, the survey should raise a few eyebrows. Undoubtedly, though, there will be many people who take pride in the findings. This is what prompted Villanova's attempt to "change the campus culture on alcohol use and abuse." As always, though, changing a culture can be tricky. And there will be plenty of students who will *resent any* policies that might impinge on their getting smashed.

Aside from the numbers, the survey also found that students believe alcohol "breaks the ice" and "stimulates conversation." We believe that not all students are that socially inept that they require alcohol to improve their ability to interact with others, but we do recognize that alcohol tends to be a driving force behind much of the social activity at Villanova.

With this said, we should examine the particulars of the recommendations of the task force. These recommendations will be examined a little more thoroughly in the upcoming issues of *The Villanovan*. For now, we will look at some of the "highlights."

A steering committee will study the benefits of deferring the selection process for fraternities and sororities until the first semester of a student's sophomore year. This may raise the ire of the Greeks since the younger members tend to be the lifeblood of the organizations, but it also sends a message that the administration is not afraid to enact fundamental changes.

One such change that it already has enacted is the divisive Homecoming 1996. We at *The Villanovan* expressed our views last week, but we reiterate that such a policy contradicts the "culture of community" that the task force aspires to reaffirm.

Another change already implemented is the stiffer sanctions for alcohol use. Instead of drifting toward an extreme stance toward all underage drinking, we feel that penalties should be focused on expunging such side effects as vandalism and physical violence. Thankfully, such a proposal is contained in the task force report.

Other ideas, such as expanding the hours of Falvey, will probably prove inconsequential. After all, the people that would be in the library at midnight on Friday night aren't the same ones inclined to get bombed every weekend.

We will reserve final judgment until the task force's recommendations have been given a chance to work, recognizing that resentment will plague many of their efforts. After all, changing a culture is a momentous task. Time will tell whether this most recent crusade was well-advised.

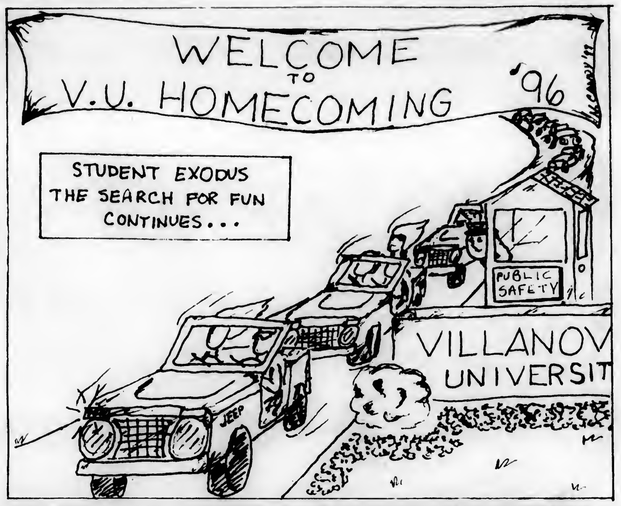
'Novan Poll

Is drinking on Villanova's campus excessive?

Is the Administration right in addressing the situation?

Will any new policies have an effect on alcohol abuse?

Send responses to "poll@villanovan.vill.edu"



L E T T E R S

Key to computer improvement is cooperation

To the Editor:

UNIT has been working very hard to bring services to students that they haven't had before. Unfortunately, they are severely understaffed. The people at UNIT often work on weekends, and well into the evenings on weekdays. Trying to update the services with the limited budget that they have is a very daunting task. At the Student Helpdesk we are only 12 people who worked tirelessly over the summer to bring the students new services. However, we at the Helpdesk are concerned about the student apathy toward computing. We devised a way for students to be able to connect themselves to the network. The instructions are easy and simple to follow. Now students do not have to wait for a month to get connected. However, we have found that students do not want to do this. They frequently call and ask to be connected. We simply cannot accommodate this.

We have twice as many student connections as last year, and the same staff. Students just do not want to follow the directions that came with their kit. They want their e-mail instantly. They don't want to have to connect themselves. They don't want to have to read about how to do something. Our new system works as we said it would. It is just a little different than last year. There is an abundance of documentation in print as well as on the web (http://www.vill.edu/~helpdesk). Until we have a student body who is willing to help themselves on some of these matters, we cannot dedicate the time and energy into bringing more adequate and efficient services. So from all of us at the Student Helpdesk I ask all of you, (including the SGA) to work with us, not against us. The Information Superhighway is upon us and it is up to each and every individual student to seek their own on-ramp.

Christopher Massicotte
UNIT Student Helpdesk

Recent alumnus angered by homecoming plans

To the Editor:

I was appalled to read in your editorial the plans set up for this year's homecoming. Last year was horrible, and it looks like it could quite possibly get worse. Villanova, throughout my four years, stressed the importance of community on campus. However, they are doing everything in their power to destroy the only bastion of community we alumnus have left: Homecoming. I still have many friends at Villanova who I am greatly looking forward to seeing. Unfortunately, Homecoming is the only time in which I can see them. Now it looks like that won't be possible. It is not only unfortunate for the students, but it is also unfortunate for the alumni who depend on Homecoming to keep friendships going. Villanova, in essence, is killing the community that it tries to establish. I would think the committee could have seen this, and stopped worrying about all possibilities of drinking. As stated in your editorial, students are going to drink in their dorms and apartments anyway. Any committee that does not realize this is foolish and incompetent. Unfortunately for all involved, this committee is just that: foolish and incompetent. Now we all have to suffer.

On a lighter note, I think it is great that *The Villanovan* is now online. I loved my four years at Villanova, and it is a plus to still be able to be connected to the campus, despite my not being there. Thank you for this creation. This truly helps (unlike the Homecoming committee) to keep the spirit of the Villanova community alive.

Joseph M. Corazza
Class of 1996

Letters

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Poll Responses

Saint What of Where? Is that what all the tents were for?

They must have only invited the staff, faculty and undergrads as there was no notification of any events to the graduate students. I am a full-time student at this school, but am only informed when the bill is due or told where not to park.

I wondered what the tents were for.

Ahh. . . maybe next year.

Peter DePasquale

It was a wonderful show of community spirit.

The only failure was the rudeness of the students who chose to leave DuPont Pavilion during the academic convocation. They expect to be treated as young adults, so they should act like young adults and be respectful.

It was absolutely worth the effort and should be conducted annually. It is a great affirmation of our spirit.

Dorothy Lairdieson

C O M M E N T A R Y

Villanova experience makes transition easier

By MARC ANGELACCIO

It is not often that Villanova University transcends its stone age traditions and value system and makes a leap into any progressive mode of thought. But when the leap does happen, it is something to take notice of.

Over the past couple of years, at least over the three years that I've been here, I've seen some bold moves by a university which usually shuns any experimentation that results in change. From something like the establishment of a core curriculum with diversity and fine arts classes, to the establishment of co-educational upper-class dorms and apartments with 24-hour visitation rights, the University has finally come to realize the environment needed to promote an academically and socially productive university community.

On the Marc

This year's experiment, also known as the Villanova Experience, is just another step by the University in trying to develop this community. The program, which has select first-year students, both male and female, living together in St. Monica's, taking common sections of the Core Humanities Seminars and participating in required weekly discussions and social activities concerning aspects of college life, is long overdue.

As any student realizes in his or her first year at Villanova, the transition from high school to college is difficult. The change can be extremely trying, both physically and mentally. The different issues that a teenager must face, from learning how to live away from home, to how to manage time wisely, to how to handle teenage issues such as relationships, drug and alcohol consumption and eating disorders, can be overwhelming.

Many first-year students do not know how to handle these concerns, especially ones that they may never have faced before. In my first year here, I saw many of my friends and classmates have to confront some of these issues, and, most of the time, they were left as victims, usually dropping out of school altogether. Granted, many of these people were not up to the challenge of a college education, but there were also some who did not know how to handle college life even though they may have been mature enough to be in college. This latter group consists of the true victims.

A program like that in St. Monica's may have taught these people how to adjust to the university environment. How can *living* and *learning* with a *community* of your peers, both men and women, all of whom share some of the same experiences, concerns and problems facing first-year students, not be beneficial to someone trying to adjust to a new and different environment? I know that it would have made my transition a lot easier.

It is about time Villanova opened its eyes to this idea. Even though the University deserves kudos for developing the Villanova Experience, it can do so much more in developing a more conducive academic and social environment for first-year students.

First, open the Villanova Experience to the entire class of first-year students by creating a mandatory seminar-structured course for them. The class, like this year's Villanova Experience, should teach students how to adjust to college life both physically and mentally. It should teach students about issues ranging from eating disorders and alcohol consumption (believe it or not, but education might be the first key to prevention of over-consumption on this campus), to the rigors of studying at the college level. More importantly, it should also teach new students of the resources, such as counseling, available at the University to handle such issues. (Most students probably don't even know these resources exist. I know I didn't as a freshman.) The course should also teach students what it means to be educated at Villanova, from the purposes and functions of the core curriculum to the various resources available at the University that will allow them to construct their own education.

The second, and more radical, suggestion on how to make Villanova more conducive to first-year students is to make the Villanova Experience campus-wide. Place it into effect in all freshmen dorms. In order to create a community, we must live, learn and share with those people with whom we have everyday contact. A campus-wide Villanova Experience is the perfect impetus for such a community.

I'm glad to see that Villanova has finally decided to follow the lead of other institutions in establishing a program to ease the adjustment to college life for first-year students. Such programs can only be beneficial to the academic and social atmosphere of the Villanova community. It's just another step, of which there are many yet to be taken, in defining Villanova as a university.

United States has duty to locate embassy in Jerusalem

By JONATHAN KLICK

Israel is currently in the middle of Jerusalem 3,000 festivities. Three thousand years ago, King David founded the capital of the Jewish people in the city, and, in the minds of millions of people across the world, Jerusalem is, for all intents and purposes, the state of Israel.

Given this relationship, it almost defies reason that the U.S. government would choose to locate its embassy on the beaches of the Mediterranean in the city of Tel Aviv. While Tel Aviv is the country's social and commercial capital, it has almost no political importance at all. In fact, all of Israel's national political bases are located in Jerusalem, including its parliament building and its foreign ministry.

This situation is unique. In no other place does the U.S. government refuse to recognize the right of a country's government to choose its capital. Effectively, that is what is being done by the decision to have the embassy in Tel Aviv, a city that did not even exist a century ago.

What reason could there possibly be to ignore the centrality of Jerusalem to the state of Israel? It has to do with Jerusalem's "disputed" status. That is, the U.S. does not wish to ignore Jordan's claim that Jerusalem is rightfully its possession.

Historically, after World War II, the British possession of Palestine was divided into sections by the United Nations. Half of the sections were to fall under Jewish rule and the other half were to be used to create a state of Palestine. Jerusalem was to remain an international possession.

The instant this plan went into effect, each of Israel's neighbors attacked the infant nation, effectively nullifying the United Nations plan. In those and subsequent battles, Israel acquired the land within its current borders, including Jerusalem. Apparently, under the U.S. definition, this means Jerusalem is "disputed."

Such reasoning does not make sense historically, nor does it make sense in geopolitical terms. Is it not in the United States' best interests to support the only democracy in a strategically important and politically volatile area? What message does such a position send about the dedication America has to its allies and to the ideal of democracy in general?

Israel is the only reliable ally the U.S. has in the Middle East, and it is time it starts treating it as such. If Israel is worth the millions of dollars in foreign and military aid the U.S. *grants* it each year, then it is worth a modicum of national respect.

Jonathan Klick was selected as one of 14 campus newspaper editors across the country for an all expense paid study mission to Israel and Poland that took place this past summer.

Billion dollar ego could skew election

By JOE PATTERSON

Ross Perot named a vice presidential running mate this week. Apparently, Pat Choate is a step up from Admiral Stockdale, with rumors circulating that his debating skills involve coherent sentences. Still, one must wonder about his intellectual veracity. After all, he's agreed to play second fiddle to a Texas-sized ego trapped inside a little man's body.

So the Reform Party is ready to roll. This time out, Mr. Perot financed a full-blown "convention," during which he stacked the cards so much in his favor that he walked away with his own nomination. And now he's prepared to make his mark.

It doesn't seem as though he has the "magic" of four years ago. Back then he had ideas that shaped debates. Now he seems like a man desperate to get his name in front of the media's eyes.

The Patterson Perspective

Unfortunately for the business tycoon, America isn't ripe for a third party push. Granted, politics could use a lot of reforming, but things aren't nearly as dire as a successful third party bid requires.

Abraham Lincoln helped complete the rise of the Republican Party 135 years ago. Then again, both of the major parties at the time, the Democrats and Whigs, were condoning slavery. Today, a similar social evil is not excused by both major parties. Furthermore, Ross Perot doesn't inspire Lincoln-esque comparisons. First of all, he's a lot shorter. Secondly, he drifts in and out of sanity.

Frankly, it would be nice if the billionaire officially removed himself from contention. Democracies seem to function best when the choices are narrowed down to two. Perot helped Bill Clinton win with a plurality of the vote in 1992. He may repeat the feat this November. Then again, the American people might be tired of his charade, reducing his draw to a statistically insignificant percentage.

Maybe it's not so much that Ross Perot is annoying. Rather, it may be that third party presidential bids are annoying. In fact, a third party bid by Pat Buchanan would also skew the results.

Adherence to a two-party system does not stamp out all potential for diversity of views. One only need look at recent congressional voting data to see that party unanimity does not exist on any issue. Instead, the two-party system is testament to the American people's ability to compromise (or at least form two large coalitions). Of course, the two-party system has survived racism and intense sectional differences. It certainly will survive a Perot bid.

Members from the Dole and Clinton camps will be meeting to discuss the particulars of the upcoming debates. Perot will undoubtedly try to weasel his way in. If nothing else, his presence would blur the picture. Dole and Clinton should be responding to each other, not to a man who has no chance of winning.

America will lose if Perot can successfully buy his way into the national discussion. Quite possibly, though, the biggest losers are those who have been wowed by the Texas billionaire. He jumped in and out of the race four years ago, yanking his supporters to and fro like yo-yos. And yet there's still a portion of the population that is fixated on him.

The next time Ross Perot wants to go on an ego trip, he'd do us a service in not taking us along.

Gender discussion needs honesty

By ANN GAVAGHAN

Hey, ladies, guess what? Guys think you judge them by the size of their wallets. (That's not what you thought I was going to say, is it?) And men, women think the number one thing you want from them is sex. (Men have agreed that's a prime consideration, though certainly not everything). The truth finally came out this week at "The Gender Gap," the first brutally honest discussion many Villanovans have participated in. And I was lucky enough to be one of the panelists.

I'll admit that I was extremely nervous when I walked in. Fraternities were required to send 75 percent of their chapters, and there weren't enough seats for everyone. If I were single, I probably would have appreciated the skewed male-female ratio, but I was just hoping our side wouldn't be submerged in the sea of male sentiment. And when I introduced myself as a member of the Villanova Feminist Coalition, I could swear I heard a hiss around the room.

However, once the questions started flowing, everyone loosened up. Some statements were a big surprise to me. Men wanted to know why women always expect the guy to call. The crowd seemed divided on whether a woman who carries condoms in her purse should be praised for being prepared, or criticized for her apparent promiscuity. I was really amazed when some people admitted that what was said at the Rush meeting last year was funny. But I was glad they felt comfortable enough to raise their hands. It was a chance for us to be honest in front of each other. If one gender disagreed with something said, at least we could talk it out in front of each other.

However, just as the discussion started to turn from on-the-surface dating problems to more serious gender issues, it was time to leave. While some people couldn't get out of there fast enough (after all, it was a mandatory event for most of the attendees), most of us were left feeling discouraged. We could have talked for much longer (but Student Government had to use the room for recruitment night. Perhaps they could make it up to us by sponsoring another one of these forums?). Though I can't commend IFC and Panhell highly enough for starting the discussion, it was only a start. To really solve the gender problem on this campus, it will take far more than 45 minutes.

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I know, however, I am kidding myself if I think that anything like Tuesday night will be happening any time soon. A good deal of the audience was there only to fulfill a requirement. What are the chances that they would come out to shoot the breeze about gender relations again? Sure, it's nice to ask the opposite sex exactly why they do some things the way they do, but it probably doesn't rank up there on people's priority lists. It's especially hard when talking to people who may not necessarily share the same point of view as oneself. How can I explain exactly why being categorized by my anatomy is not funny to me without coming off as prissy, sanctimonious and PC? At the same time, a few men were wary of saying certain things in front of Villanovan staff members, for fear that they would receive backlash as a result of their comments. Can an honest discourse on this issue only be held when a moderator is present and the Villanova Room is packed?

It would be ideal if the discussion were continued by individuals, but, again, I am too much of a realist to expect that. How many attendees will feel compelled to ask their male or female friends, "Hey, do you really check us out as much as we do you?" The problem is partially the Villanova atmosphere, but as many of the participants brought up, it is also societal.

How many women are raised to be outspoken, assertive and willing to pay for a guy on a date? How many men are willing to be perfectly honest about their sexual desires and need for honest communication with women? By our late teens, we have already been programmed to do certain things simply because of our genitalia. Breaking those mores takes a lot of courage, and with all the pressures of college, many people simply can't take on a gender battle as well, even if that simply means being open with your friends.

Please prove me wrong. Sponsor a forum. Ask your R.A.'s to make this a program. Bring the issue up in classes. Otherwise, the opposite sex will be shrouded in mystery, frustration and misunderstanding. And I like guys too much to judge them by these stereotypes.

Dole would benefit from heeding trends

By JIM DeLANEY

Before the 1996 presidential campaign, a theory seemed to hold true about what the defining issue in a presidential election would be. Supposedly, the theory goes that in years of economic uncertainty or recessions, the winning presidential message is the economy and job security. When the economy is going well, American politics will revert back to recurring "cultural wars," fragmenting society into opposing groups. Such "cultural wars" were seen in 1996 primary politics between rival factions on abortion, government benefits for illegal immigration, and welfare cuts.

Until recently the theory was accurate. In 1980, Reagan pledged to return opportunity to an economy in near disrepair from the only period of double digit inflation in U.S. history. With Reagan's message of economic prosperity, he trounced Carter. With the economy booming by 1984, the conservative side of the "culture wars" dominated the political scene. The popular Reagan was able to cast what seemed to be a deciding blow towards overturning Roe v. Wade by packing the Supreme Court with conservative justices. Cutting funding for cities, Reagan provided for his suburban and rural support base. Meanwhile Reagan demonized the welfare system and portrayed Mondale as a neo-liberal wanting to tax the life out of anything that moved to pay for it.

Coming full circle, in 1992 Clinton unseated an incumbent president who had 90 percent approval ratings just a year earlier - some of the highest ever - by simply harping endlessly about an economic recession that had actually ended months before in early 1992. In the 1996 economic report of the president, the Clinton administration indicts itself. In the first quarter of 1992, real economic output grew at 4.7 percent, well above the normal trend growth of 2.5 percent under regular conditions. Why then was Clinton's message of "It's the economy, stupid" so persuasive? The 1992 recovery was a jobless recovery. The economic output was no longer declining, but the unemployment rate did not fall. It actually increased from 7 percent to 7.8 percent in 1992. Jobs had not yet been created, and the unemployment rate would not fall until 1993 and 1994. Accordingly, the populace bought the Clinton charge that Bush was neglecting domestic policy.

Benefitting from Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan's practice of not influencing interest rates so near a presidential election, Clinton was able to win in '92 because the direction of the economy was left unchanged by the Fed. Ironically, if the Fed doesn't raise rates to slow growth, Clinton may be handed a thriving economy by the same "hands-off" Fed practice that caused Bush's defeat.

In addition, the Dole team has changed the focus of the debate from what was building up to a series of cultural wars in the primaries - abortion, illegal immigration, welfare - and taken the Clinton '92 economic theme and applied it to '96. Dole criticized Clinton for economic growth of 2.3 percent and said it would be 3.5 percent with his tax cut. A month later data shows the economy is now growing at 4.8 percent. Dole just bet on the wrong issue, and he may not realize it soon enough to change the focus of debate to "cultural wars," where Clinton is was. And so, the Democratic strategists are probably laughing at Dole now, "Is it still the economy, stupid?"

L E T T E R S

UNIT is still committed to promised improvements

To the Editor:

UNIT provides computing resources to all students for electronic mail, Internet access, creation of world wide web home pages, use of Office Automation and course specific software.

The VAX computer cluster is used primarily for providing reliable local and Internet e-mail services for students. It can be accessed from both on and off campus. Every registered student has an account on the VAX. Students can easily login directly to the VAX computer to check their mail using a simple, character-based interface.

In addition to the VAX computer, there are five Novell servers for Internet access, word processing or software required for courses. All servers can be accessed from workstations in computing labs or computers connected to the network in the residence halls. To provide students with the capability to store personal files, every registered student, in addition to the VAX account, has an account on one of these servers: the STUDENT server.

Last year, both the VAX computer and the student server provided mail services for students. About 30 percent of the student population used the student server for e-mail and generated about 100,000 messages a month. Unfortunately, the student server operating system NOVELL, was not capable to support high volume e-mail. Therefore, the VAX computer cluster was selected as the only e-mail system for students this year. Since many students prefer a graphical user interface (GUI), students can access the VAX mail system through the student server using the Eudora for Windows mail client. Eudora has a graphical user interface with a word-processing like editor that is preferred by some students. However this is a longer process requiring a separate login into the student server and student may want to use it only if they want to compose long messages.

The student server is now used primarily as an application software and file server. Over the summer, the student server hardware and operating system were upgraded to provide better service for the ever increasing number of students taking advantage of the campus' computing resources. During the first two weeks of the semester we did experience problems with the student server but they were corrected. However, during the entire time, students were able to use e-mail on the VAX using the character mode interface.

Since last fall, residence students can connect their own computers to the University computer network. This allows for convenient access to all computing resources available to students. To assist resident students getting connected, UNIT established the Student Help Desk staffed it with a group of very talented students. Unfortunately, student-owned computers comprise more than 50 different makes and models with different operating systems. It is therefore often difficult and time consuming and sometimes not possible to successfully connect a student's computer.

Learning from our experience last year, we wanted to make it as easy as possible for any resident student to connect their computer to the campus network. The Student Help Desk staff developed easy-to-use installation software and documentation for the Connectivity Kits sold at the University Shop. Additionally, information on getting connected is available on the Student Help Desk homepage on the University WWW. Phone support is provided by the Student Help Desk. Since the University is not officially supporting Windows 95, connecting PCS with this operating system is especially difficult.

While UNIT admits to some shortcomings, caused primarily by the increase in computing usage and large number of service requests during the first few weeks of the school year, we are committed to provide the computing and information resources and capabilities described in the summer mailing.

Dan McGee
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I am here at Seton Hall Law School, but will always be a Villanovan. The issue was great, especially Melissa Salso's article about Joe Hauck. . . anyone who knew Joe learned a great deal about love that will never be lost with time. Thank you for the great issue and keep up the good work.

J. Paul Vance
Class of 1996

I'm glad to be able to follow the news at 'Nova by checking in on your page site. Thanks for the site and keep up the good work.

Jim Robertson

While browsing, I was glad to see that I can finally get some current information on what is happening at Villanova. Living in Chicago, Villanova doesn't get a lot of coverage by the Tribune. So keep publishing on the Internet for us alumni that want to know what's happening at the school.

Peter Horos

As a new web-surfer and father of a freshman at Villanova, I was pleased to find a copy of *The Villanovan* on the web. I do not know if my daughter is truly homesick, but I do know I was amazed to find your paper on the web and the article with my daughter's quotes. Keep up the good work.

The Interent is going to change the world and the students of today need to be aware of its capabilities.

Charlie Gulotta

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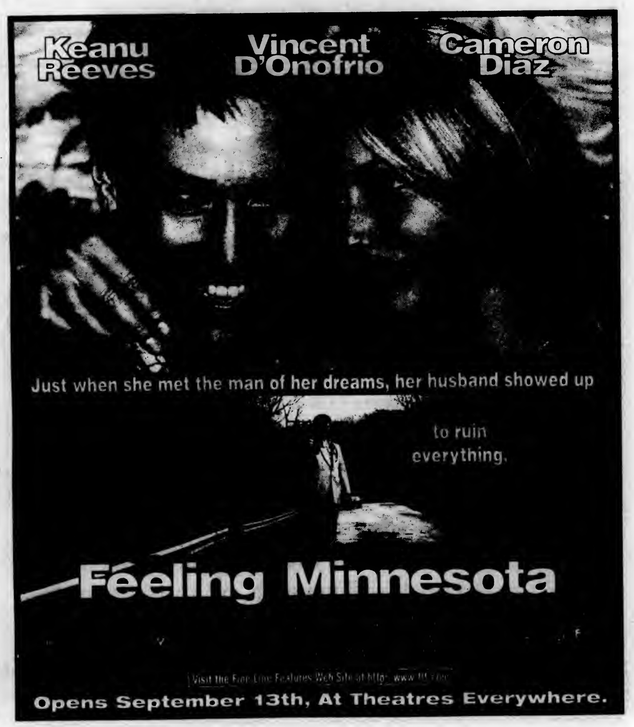

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15	16	17	18	19 *Mission Impossible* Connelly Center Cinema 7 & 10p.m., $3	20 *Mission Impossible* Connelly Center Cinema 7 & 10p.m., $3 *Parents' Weekend*	21 *Parents' Weekend*
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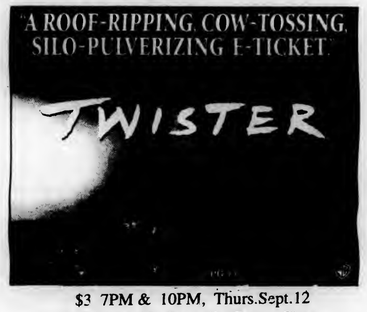

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Sept. 13

Assistant Fraternity Rush Chair

IFC Rush Chairman is seeking an assistant for the Fall 1996 Rush. Applications are available at the IFC office and are due in on Sept. 13. Position is open to all fraternity members.

Sept.12-16

GIFT Groups

GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Groups are small gatherings of students who come together to share and grow in their faith. They are facilitated by students, meet once a week for one hour, and run the length of the semester. Registration is Sept. 15 after all the masses, or in Campus Ministry, Sept. 12 - 16. Space is limited. This group is sponsored by Campus Ministry

Sept.14-17

Cultural Film Series

The Scent of Green Papaya, the first Oscar-nominated film from Vietnam, is the second offering in Villanova's Fall '96 Cultural Film and Lecture Series. The film will have four screenings in the Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 15 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Monday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students and $4 for the general public.

Sept. 16

VEG

The Villanova Environmental Group will hold its first meeting on Monday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All interested students are welcome to attend. For more information call x 94608.

Time Management

Get organized this semester! Dr. Reilly will offer practiceal suggestion for better time management and study techniques in a brief workshop Monday, Sept. 16, 3:30 - 4:20 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106 Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign-up is necessary.

Sept. 17

Women Engineers

The Society of Women Engineers will have its first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 5:45 p.m. in Tolentine 206. These meetings are open to all engineering students. Pizza and soda will be served at the meeting.

Cross-Cultural Lecture

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures invites all Villanovans to a lecture by Tetsuhiko Yuki entitled "Overcoming the Cross-Cultural Communication Gap." It will be held in Tolentine 215 on Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 4:30 p.m. A reception will follow.

Sept. 18

Books 'n Hoops

Books 'n Hoops is a summer basketball/academic camp for Philadelphia area high school students. It strives to integrate spirituality, educaation, sportsmanship and community not only in basketball, but also in life. We are starting a mentor program similar to the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. We are looking for volunteers interested in a long-term commitment and the experience of a lifetime. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Questions? Call Fr. Ed Hastings at 519-4082.

Helping Local Elderly

ELDERNET is a Bryn Mawr agency (located at Ludington Library) that assists older and handicapped residents of Lower Merion Township who need simple assistance to remain independent in their own homes. ELDERNET is seeking student volunteers to help in any of the following areas: friendly visiting, shopping with or for clients, odd house care jobs (such as leaf raking), laundry etc. Schedules are very flexible and can be worked around a student's schedule and free time. Come meet Nadine Kuster and learn more about ELDERNET and how you might be able to contribute on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. in the West Lounge of Dougherty Hall.

Sept. 19

Best Buddies

A New Volunteer organization called Best Buddies has joined Villanova's Campus. Committed college students will be paired in friendship with a young adult with developmental disablities. There will be an informal meeting for those interested in learning more about this program on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. in the St. Davids Room of the Connelly Center.

Sept. 22

Dinner for Students

St. Luke United Methodist Church would like to welcome Villanova students with a dinner in their honor. Come get acquainted on Sunday, Sept. 22 at 6 p.m. at St. Luke's, located on Montgomery and Pennswood Roads in Bryn Mawr. Please R.S.V.P., 525-2396, if you are planning to attended the dinner. Also, feel welcome to join us for Worship at 10 a.m. on Sunday.

Sept. 23

International Careers

As part of the special Careers Week sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement office, the office of International Studies will present a panel in the Haverford Room at 7 p.m. "Beginnings in International Careers" will be moderated by Dr. Michael M. Burke of the Department of Historyu and will include presentations by two graduates whose present careers were direclty attributable to studies abroad and by two recently returned seniors who plan to investigate postgraduate careers utilizing their spring 1995 semester experiences overseas.

Sept. 24

Volunteer in Panama

Returning for a sixth year, there will be a Winter Break (Dec. 30 - Jan. 11) volunteer sevice trip to the very rural section of Wacuco, Panama for Engineers and students who are proficient in Spanish. Preparation meetings will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 8 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel...(this will also be the information meeting explaining the trip), Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10, 8 - 10 p.m. St. Rita's Chapel. All meetings are REQUIRED in order to go on the trip. Sponsored by Villanova Volunteers of the Campus Ministry Office.

Study Abroad Night

The Office of International Studies will sponsor its annual fall Study Abroad Night at 7 p.m. in the Connelly Center Cinema. In addition to explaining the advantages of the study abroad expericnes and the processeds and procedures by whcih Villanvoa students arragenge approval for their academic programs overseas, students recently returned to campus from studies abroad will be on hand to explain their choice of program and share their expericnces with ohers considering including a semester or year in academic overseas programs.

Sept. 25

Dialogue on Welfare Reform

A panel of Villanova faculty will discuss the state of welfare in the United States today, and their views on welfare reform on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 7:30 in the Connelly Center Cinema. "A Dialogue on Welfare and Welfare Reform" will be presented by Women's Studies; students and all other interested members of the Villanova community are welcome to attend.

Oct. 2

Sacramental Prep

The sacramental preparation process will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall, lower level, Room 4. All those who desire baptism, eucharist, or confirmation in the catholic faith are invited to sign up now in the Campus Ministry office. Those curious to learn more about Catholicism are also welcome! Questions or concerns? Call Kathy Overturf, x 97978.

Oct. 3

St. Augustine Lecture

A lecture entitled "History and Faith in Saint Augustine's 'De Trinitate'" will be given by Fr. Basil Studer, O.S.B. of Collegio Sant'Anselmo in Rome on Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center. This lecture is sponsored by Augustinian Studies; admission is free.

MISC.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

DSA

The Democratic Socialists of America will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). DSA is a political organization which fights for social and economic equality for all.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

The Villanovan

The Villanovan is looking for individuals who would be interested in taking over for our Internet editors. These positions will become available in November. Editors will be responsible for putting *the Villanovan* into its new super-duper online edition. Great resume experience!!! Students who have experience working with homepages are encouraged to call Todd Phillips and Mario Carlo at 971-0759 or you can stop by *the Villanovan* office on Thursday afternoons

F E A T U R E S

Father Ed Hastings, O.S.A., raises spirits in new position

By DOMINICK MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

Sorry to all those who waited to fulfill their religious studies requirement so that they could have Father Ed Hastings, O.S.A., as their professor, but he will no longer be a full-time professor at Villanova. Hastings was named the new director of Campus Ministry as of Aug. 1. He will attempt to fill the shoes of Father Sean Tracy, O.S.A., who held the position for over 15 years.

Hastings graduated from Villanova University in 1973. He was a general arts major as well as a member of the men's varsity basketball team. After graduation he served as graduate assistant under Coach Rollie Massimino.

Hastings then received his master's degree in theology from Washington Theological Union. In 1991 he received his Ph.D. in spirituality theology from Duquesne University. After Hastings was ordained he worked in the Campus Ministry department of Merrimack College for five years before returning to Villanova.

He is now beginning his sixth year back at Villanova and his new appointment is a tribute to his character as well as dedication to the community.

His past five years have included four years with Campus Ministry and just last year he became a full-time professor of religious studies.

Campus Ministry is a continually growing factor on Villanova's campus, and no one knows this better than Hastings. He remembers back in his college days when Campus Ministry was no bigger than one or two office rooms. Now Campus Ministry is an integral part of Villanova's community, and Hastings has dreams of seeing it grow even further.

Referring to the great needs of the inner-city, Hastings stressed,"We at Villanova forget about the majority which is outside our walls."

This sturdy core acts as a foundation which allows Campus Ministry and its various programs to thrive.

Campus Ministry programs such as Habitat for Humanity, St. Francis Soup Kitchen, Streets and many others, help to link Villanova students with Philadelphia's societal needs. Hastings wants to expand these efforts and further bring Villanovans outside the quiet surroundings of "Quads" and "Oreos."

Books 'n Hoops is a new program in its fourth year, which is run under the guidance of Hastings and combines his three favorite things: basketball, learning and spirituality.

This is just one of the programs which Campus Ministry is using to bridge the gap between Villanova and the inner-city youth.

So what makes Villanova's Campus Ministry so strong? Hastings attributes it to the dedicated staff which possesses a strong sense of community within. This sturdy core acts as a foundation which allows Campus Ministry and its various programs to thrive.

Hastings would like to see the Campus Ministry faculty become more involved with teaching. This way Campus Ministry can reach out to students who would normally not be found in their headquarters located in the basement of St. Rita's Hall.

Hastings describes Dr. Sterling Delano of the English department as a professor who helped him recognize the Villanova community. "Dr. Delano allowed me to think, and taught me that learning is exciting." Delano was a very significant influence on Hastings. Delano did not treat young Hastings just an athlete, but as a scholar and showed him that there is more to life than "the big game."

FILE PHOTO

Father Ed Hastings, O.S.A., recently took over the position of director of Campus ministry.

Prepare today for a future career in the television industry

Special to The Villanovan from NAPTE

In the past five years, the television business has experienced more change than in its entire history. Viewers who once were limited to a mere four or five channels can now select from 50 to 150 in most areas.

New technologies, such as direct broadcast satellite, are now a reality with emerging delivery systems only a matter of a few years away. Government deregulation has had far-reaching impact on programming, while new configurations of ownership, domestically and globally, continue at a rapid pace.

This accelerated evolution of the television business offers both exciting opportunities and serious challenges to university communications and broadcasting majors who are pursuing a career in the electronic media. Television still remains a fast-paced, upwardly mobile and rewarding business where the potential for career and financial success is without limit.

At the same time, like so many other industry sectors, downsizing has taken a significant toll at the corporate, network, production and distribution company, and local station levels. Competition for available positions is ferocious while the demands on those who are employed are formidable.

To best position yourself to compete in the television job market, it is essential that you significantly supplement your classroom activities. Following are five suggestions that can make a difference:

1. START NOW

Unless you have an uncle who is running a network, or family friends in high places, your first job after graduation will very likely be at entry level. While the title might have a nice ring to it; promotion coordinator or news desk assistant, your day-to-day realities will center around Xerox and fax machines, phones and the office coffee maker.

The way around starting at the bottom with a degree in your pocket is to begin your professional experience while you are in school. Work evenings and weekends at your local television station or cable system.

Learn everything you can about the realities of the television business. Sure, juggling a full course load and a part-time or full-time position will be taxing, but the result will be a work ethic that can sustain a career along with hands-on experience that will be appealing to future employers.

2. WATCH AND THINK

If you are planning for a lifetime in the television business, start looking at the medium with a studious eye. Rather than let your mind wander, take note of plot structure, pacing, character relationships and casting while watching dramas and comedies.

Run an audio tape on your local or national TV newscast and then go back and transcribe the broadcast to learn about the unique writing style of news presentation. Look at talk shows from the point of view of the program's producer who must combine the skills of the host with a range of guests and topics that can hold an audience day after day.

3. HAVE A SEAT

Take a trip to Los Angeles, New York or Chicago and attend as many television tapings as possible. Sit in the audience of a sitcom or talk show and focus on the camera work, the lighting, the roles of the stage manager and floor crew. Visit the control room of your local television station during a newscast or the taping of a public affairs program.

Follow a news crew covering a story on location. These collective experiences can shape your perspective on the business and will enhance your frame of reference in the classroom.

4. READ TRADES

There are four publications, which if read regularly, can keep you up to speed on the breaking developments that are redefining our industry.

Electronic Media and *Broadcasting & Cable* are weekly magazines that offer the best overview of news developments in broadcasting, cable and news media. *The Hollywood Reporter* and *Daily Variety* both published daily in Los Angeles, provide the best coverage of the Hollywood production and distribution business.

In addition, remembering that the television business is global in scope, magazines such as *Television Business International* and *World Screen News* report on worldwide developments.

5. WATCH THE BOTTOM LINE

Never lose sight of the reality that television is a business. The better you understand the basic tenets of business, the more valuable you will be to your employer. Supplement your communications and broadcasting classes with some basic business administration and economics courses while paying careful attention to the business sections of your local newspaper.

Remember that in today's economic environment, you will ultimately be judged by your contribution to the company's bottom line.

The future of television holds tremendous promise. The convergence of new media with traditional forms of broadcasting, while yet to be realized, will ultimately have a far reaching impact.

Those who will succeed will be those with basic knowledge coupled with the energy, vision and passion to remain on the leading edge of television during this time, the most exciting period in the history of the medium.

NATPE offers several opportunities for students, university faculty, staff and administrators through its Educational Foundation, College Television Society and Job Hotline.

For more information, please call 310-453-4440.

Major trouble: The honors program could have the solution

By MIKE PANTANO
Staff Reporter

The honors program, directed by Dr. Edwin Goff and coordinated by Nancy Hensler, is based in room 103 of the St. Augustine Center for the Liberal Arts as a challenging curriculum for students who are interested in liberal arts.

The honors program offers classes which can be alternatives to regular core requirements and some higher level courses. All interested students must apply for and be accepted into the program.

The classes offered through the program usually have a smaller number of students than regular sections of the same subject and open discussion is greatly encouraged during class sessions.

Honors is competitive, but all students are supportive of their classmates. Many of the honors classes are writing intensive which requires students to put in additional time to read and write for all assignments.

To acquire a major in honors, a student must complete at least 12 courses in the program, as well as write a senior thesis before graduation.

Not all students who participate in the program are able to meet the requirements in order to have the Honors major. Many students choose to simply take some honors courses to fulfill requirements and others are unable to complete the twelve classes because of another major.

With completion of eight classes in the honors program, a certificate for finishing the "sequence in liberal studies, honors program" is awarded. Although it is not necessary, the program actually prefers students to choose another major to complement their honors major.

The honors curriculum offers a great deal more than challenging classes. Cultural and social events include trips to Washington and New York, the opportunity to write for the literary magazine *Polis*, a chance to present research in Friday Colloquia, and the potential to meet with well-known speakers appearing on campus. All students have an active role in deciding which events they would like to participate in.

With an honors major, students have a variety of options after graduation. More than half of the honors graduates go on to graduate studies, which Villanova's program feeds to some of the top graduate schools in the country. Others choose to enter the work force while others join volunteer organizations.

Attention all Greeks: Greek Briefs must be typed and submitted on Mondays. *The Villanovan* reserves the right to edit these submissions.

Acton and Pollock plan for a successful year in office

By KATIE KLINE
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association has its work cut out for them as Student Body President Pete Acton and Vice President Sheldon Pollock, go forth in their quest for a prosperous year in office with both open minds and dedicated hearts.

"We were really excited to have been elected in April," commented Pollock. "The students put their trust in us and I think it is very important that we return the trust back to them by following through with our proposed platform."

The specific focus of this year's SGA is to sell the organization. They want students to recognize that the student government is works for and represents them. "We're really making a big push to be as visible as possible and to communicate as much as we can with the student body," said Acton. "I think our motto for the year is to be visible, active and vocal."

SGA executives are working this year to promote an awareness among students about the functions of the organization, serve as the liason for the students to the faculty and administration, bridge the gap between administrators and students and to work closely with the visitation review board to revise the visitation policy on in all dorms.

They would also like to develop and promote a teacher evaluation booklet, create an on campus laundry service, improve and expand health center services and open a coffee shop on campus.

The SGA feels that all of these goals are attainable because both Acton and Pollock investigated these areas of interest before making them part of their platform.

"We want things to work for students; we want things to be right for students, and we're trying to do this as productively and effectively as possible," Acton commented. "It's all just a matter of time."

This year's SGA is made up of 60 new members, many of whom were appointed as chairpersons and elected as senators. "We've set the organization up differently than in years past," said Acton. "We tried to take a team approach. We want a group of people working on a specific thing from start to finish."

Student government members recently participated in a one-day retreat that primarily focused on building character and the concept of teamwork. "Our style of leadership," Pollock continued, "is to give people room to grow and to not only learn things about student government, but about themselves as well."

In an effort to increase communication between the student government and the Villanova community, the SGA has designed its own homepage on the internet that will be available within the next couple of weeks. This service will allow users to access current SGA information and events and to entertain their own questions and concerns to the SGA office.

One of the primary goals of the SGA this year is to make themselves more accessible to the student body. "It is our job to represent what students want from their Villanova experience," said Acton. "I would love to have an office right in the middle of campus where students could come in all of the time."

Student government also hopes to elevate a sense of community and to break the perception that one has to be of a particular background to attend certain events held on campus.

They hope to sponsor on-campus events that will draw students from all different walks of life. "It's about coming together and slowly building a solid relationship," said Acton.

SGA seems to be taking steps in all of the right directions to assure that this year is a successful one and to create an atmosphere where Villanova Day is every day.

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Pete Acton and Sheldon Pollock have big plans for SGA this year.

Students gather to bridge the gender gap

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

Do you wonder what men are thinking when they see you? Are you curious as to what women consider the "perfect date?" What do you find attractive about members of the opposite sex? Can men and women be friends?

The Inter-Fraternity Council, Panhellenic Council, Villanova Feminist Coalition and Campus Activities Team sponsored a forum on Sept. 10 at which these nagging questions were addressed. Many fraternities were required to attend, which made for an interesting mix of about 20 men to every woman in the Villanova Room.

Krispen Barr, associate dean of students at Cedar Crest College, was the gender-gap facilitator of the event. Barr, a member of the Phi Mu national women's fraternity, posed questions for eight panelists, all of whom are students at the University.

Cards were passed to every person in the room, inviting them to write down questions to be addressed by the panel.

Barr began the forum by asking the women panelists, "What is the first thing you notice about a man?" Common answers were hair, eyes, physique and personality. When the men were asked the same question about women, their responses included legs, a southern accent, blonde hair, eyes and body.

When Barr asked what men at Villanova look for in a woman, panelist Sarah Marchal said, "a body like Kathy Ireland and an attitude like mom." When the same question was asked of the men, panelist Mike Ocone replied, "I definitely think the women are looking for the money in the pocket."

This comment evoked panelist Ann Gavaghan to respond by encouraging men to "go dutch" on dates.

After topic jumping for a few minutes, Barr mentioned the segment of the movie "When Harry Met Sally" when Harry says that it is impossible for a man and a woman to be friends because sexual tension is always an issue. When she asked if this is the case at Villanova, panelist Nhi Ho said, "I think it has to do with the individual person."

Later, Barr asked a volunteer from the audience to explain the incident that lead to the cancelling of men's fall rush last year. While the volunteer and about half of the audience agreed that the incident was blown out of proportion and punishment was harsh, he said, "We did learn something from it and I hope it doesn't happen again."

The panel had a strong reaction to this segment of the discussion. "What was said is not just being said at such meetings . . . for a lot of us it was shocking to be thought of not as human beings but [as] sexual objects," said Gavaghan. She continued to commend those who attended the forum and hopes that this is just the beginning of many more events of this nature.

Audience questions included "Why do guys say they're going to call and never do?" and "How does it feel to ask someone on a date?" Panelist Riard Brown responded to the latter question by saying, "First of all, you're taking a big chance." He addressed the fear of getting the dreaded "let's be friends" line and encouraged women to take some pressure off the men by making the first move.

The forum concluded with parting words of advise from the panelists. They emphasized the importance of communication and honesty in relationships. With those concluding remarks in mind, those who attended left the room a bit wiser.

Inter-Hall council links residence halls

By J.J. KETCHUM
Special to The Villanovan

For most students, living in their respected residence hall will take on a whole new meaning this academic year. Recently, the Office for Residence Life announced the formation of the Inter-Hall Council (IHC).

The IHC is a cross-functional residence hall committee charged with acting as a liaison between various campus organizations and departments. The committee will serve as a communication link to the Office for Residence Life and will have representatives in both the Campus Activities Team and Student Government Association.

"The IHC will strive to promote the various concerns, ideas, and programs that pertain to residence halls," said John Jeffery, advisor to IHC and the south area coordinator for residence management. According to Jeffery, "It will also give students an opportunity to develop leadership skills and participate in training and development programs."

Jeffery has been instrumental in promoting the concept of IHC and drafting the proposal with the hall council committee. The proposal was sent to Fr. John Stack, O.S.A., dean of students, late last April and was approved, enabling Residence Life to begin the structuring within the residence halls.

John Schadl, head resident of St. Monica Hall, served on the hall council committee and believes, "The IHC is a mechanism that will allow the student to have input in hall programming and hall governance." Schadl, a third year law student is a graduate of Notre Dame University which had a very successful residence hall council system.

Schadl served as an officer for three years at Notre Dame and played a substantial role in the creation of Villanova's IHC. "The IHC will be comprised of representatives from every residence hall on Villanova's campus allowing residents an active voice in the campus environment," said Schadl.

The type of programs that the IHC will be doing is dependant upon the representatives' motivation from each of the halls. The process for choosing the representatives for each hall will be left up to the residence life staff of the buildings.

The head resident of each building serves as the advisor to each of his/her particular building's hall council. The structure of each hall council is determined building by building.

"I think that the IHC is a great means for providing an avenue between students and administrators," said Pete Acton, student body president, "this will really give residents an opportunity to take ownership of their respected residence halls."

The first informational meeting will be held Sept. 18 at 8:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center. Anyone interested in participating and finding out more about the IHC is encouraged and welcomed to attend.

Greek Briefs

Chi Omega would like to welcome back all our sisters, especially all those who were abroad last year. Don't forget our retreat at the Jersey Shore this Saturday. Finally, Chi-O would like to congratulate all the winners of the grand prize tee-shirts from last week's meeting.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon would like to congratulate Phil O'Neill and Kristie Greco (Pi Beta Phi) for being elected captains of the 1996-97 cheerleading team. Congratulations also go out to Dan McCarey for being chosen as the new SGA secretary.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Dan-O and Chin Ho,
The top ten ways to discourage on campus drinking . . .

10. Provide buses so students can do all their drinking off campus
9. Open a bar in the Belle Air Nightclub
8. Label it writing intensive
7. Say it's sponsored by CAT
6. More on campus parades
5. Golden rings
4. Put UNIT in charge of kegs
3. Add 'shrooms to the arboretum
2. Make SGA promise more on campus drinking

and the No. 1 way to discourage on campus drinking . . .

1. Advertise all keggers on WXVU

International studies broadens horizons

By MICHELE BACON
Staff Writer

Planning to move off campus your junior year? Want to travel? Interested in becoming fluent in a language or curious about foreign cultures? If any of these opportunities describe your personal goals, then studying abroad could be right for you.

The International Studies department at Villanova, located in the St. Augustine Center for the Liberal Arts, offers students the opportunity to travel and study abroad during their college years.

It is easy to become involved in overseas studies. The first step is to attend one of the two study abroad nights which are held during the fall and spring semesters. This fall's study abroad night is scheduled for Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. in the Connelly Center Cinema. This presentation is a general introduction to the program.

Interested students are then matched with a peer counselor who is familiar with the foreign university or country in which the student is interested. The counselor will give guidance and help find an appropriate academic program for the applicant.

Greg Swartz, a senior at Villanova, traveled abroad to Grenoble, France for a semester last year. Since his return Swartz has become one of six peer counselors in the program. According to Swartz, the meeting with a peer counselor "serves as a buffer to see who is serious about studying abroad," and to discover the student's "goals, motivations, and how the program fits in with their long range plans at Villanova."

The third step includes a meeting with Dr. Thomas M. Ricks, Director of International Studies. Applicants will be expected to bring a short essay providing reasons why they want to study abroad. This paper should outline personal, academic and career plans and show how the program will support and reinforce each one.

Senior Michael Kennedy spent a semester in Spain and a semester in Austria. He studied abroad to take classes that were not offered at Villanova. This enabled Michael to complete a peace and justice major.

During the meeting, Ricks will also discuss overseas arrangements, costs and financial aid, the Villanova pre-approval process and credit transfer. Typically this program's expenses are comparable to Villanova's tuition. However, program costs vary.

There are two options for living arrangements; residence or home stay. The residence option allows you to live with other students, usually international and local. The home stay option allows you to live with a host family close to the college you are attending. Home stay is strongly recommended for language students.

Swartz, a French major, found home stay a beneficial experience. His host family helped him to become fluent in French, took him sightseeing, and also provided moral support.

Once the preliminary steps are completed, the applicant's program must receive approval from the chairperson and dean. To qualify one must have an overall GPA of 2.75 or better. A minimum of four classes must be completed abroad to receive credit.

Whether you want to experience culture, add another dimension to your degree, or improve foreign language skills, the international program enhances your total educational experience.

WXVU sends new signals through campus

By GERRY GRZYWACZ
Staff Reporter

WXVU 89.1 FM, the University's student-run radio station, has made some changes this year in anticipation to better entertain and serve the entire student body.

One of the biggest changes in the station is the replacement of their advisor, Dr. Edward Lorden, who was unable to return for personal reasons. Currently, Randy Farmer of the Office of Student Development is the acting advisor.

However, "the station is looking for a new advisor, preferably someone from the communication arts department," said Ann Gavaghan, the general manager of WXVU.

Despite the shift, the station has still managed to come up with plenty of new improvements to benefit all listeners and is accessible to everyone by way of the FM dial. "We want students to know we're out there," she commented.

In the past, many students did not know about the station because it had transmission problems on campus. Gavaghan said that this year, the station's reception will be better throughout the campus so all students will be able enjoy the programs.

Now, instead of only having a handful of faithful listeners, WXVU has the potential to draw a larger, more diverse audience.

Another change that the station has made is implementing a new, expanded format. "We are the student radio station and we reflect the interests of all students," said Gavaghan.

WXVU has numerous new and old shows that cover a broad range of music. Music varies anywhere from Industrial to Classical, Metal to Jazz, and even a show called the "Crunchy Granola Hour," a full hour dedicated to the Grateful Dead.

WXVU has "something for everyone," described Gavaghan. The entire radio production has created a new agenda in hopes of increasing interest in the station and to combat the stereotype that the only music broadcasted is "alternative music." Gavaghan stated that most students will not listen to the station just because of this rumored stereotype, but the expanding formats have proven that WXVU is not one-dimensional.

There are also news programs and talk shows on WXVU, including the broadcasts of football and basketball games. Even students not interested in music can catch a ball game, or even call in and voice their opinion on air. Gavaghan summed up the variety of the station by saying that listening to WXVU is "a good way to broaden your horizons."

Getting involved with WXVU is easy. "Anybody can get a show," said Gavaghan. "There are many different areas in which any student can get involved at the station."

Students interested could hold positions at WXVU as DJ's and news anchors. If you would like to become involved with WXVU, call the traffic directors, Brett Burton (x13805) and Chris Goett (x15979), or go to the broadcast room, located on the second floor of Dougherty Hall, any Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday.

DREAM TOPICS / STUDY TACTICS

what belongs to the moon: moonlight
neighboring stars
heads turned upwards...searching
and remembering "why?"

What belongs to the sun: sunlight
trees giving shade
heads turned downwards...reading
and wondering...

not to learn or memorize

what belongs to the classroom...flower place
passion opened at midday
for learning later,
when sitting under trees, reading
what belongs to the books...maps of bodies,
texts of landscapes and actual people
animals
in the light, thought,
collected in the vapor
tested in the living midsts of real places
dance floors
talking and thinking
studying while walking
and remaining in a place
where texts (books, conversations, letters,
proms, rituals, etc.) are *to be*
intermingled with our lives
in the shade, at the waterhole,
the favorite pub
or club gathering
and bridging the time of day
together, for each other to talk

sweet grains of sugar, grainy water
a little pollen caught in the Styrofoam pool
the cup makes
a *trash can* in the stone house
and we say to ourselves: "I must remember to *use* it..."

So as to dream interesting dreams
and not be stupid
so as to talk about what's being said
and not to be automatic
so as to think about what we're doing
to everything
and each other.

---Danne Polk (Philosophy and Peace and Justice)

There's news, there's entertainment, there's sports, there's features, there's op-ed and then there's *this*. *This* is a small corner of *the Villanovan* that will heretofore address ecology and all its many branches, if you will, stretching from humanity in general to those sneaky gender issues. It's difficult to detail exactly what you, dear *Villanovan* reader, will find here from week to week. Is this a clever ploy to entice your curious nature? Hopefully.

What's in your head? *Our thanks should not be kept under grounds*

By MELISSA SALSO
Senior Reporter

Last Thursday Villanova University experienced community like few times ever before. On Sept. 5, students, faculty and staff united at St. Thomas of Villanova Day to celebrate the opening of the academic year and to recognize University patron, St. Thomas of Villanova, after whom our institution's ideals and values are modeled.

Some of us will remember the spirit alive at the Mass in the grotto. Others will recall the incredible number of participants in the parade and procession that afternoon. Many were impressed by the wisdom of Joseph T. Lienhard, S.J., Ph.D, guest speaker from Fordham University. (And still, a chosen few were equally awed by the five-foot-long pigs laid out on the buffet tables.)

Yet I have encountered a population of people on campus who, like myself, will forever be moved by another, more specific event of the day. The awarding of the Team Distinguished Service Award was, in my heart, a highlight of the first annual St. Thomas of Villanova Day.

This award was granted to the University Grounds Team. Although I was proud of all the award recipients of that day, this award in particular literally brought a tear to my eye. And while it is unlikely that the event is making headlines in other sections or other newspapers, it truly is worth heralding.

Think back to the first introduction you had to Villanova. Whether it was through a glossy brochure loaded with pictures of student life or a campus tour, you can be sure that one thing served as the backdrop to the presentation: the natural beauty of our university. You can be sure that garbage and refuse on the grounds did not accompany this greeting.

Time and time again, we can overhear individuals commenting on the beauty of our campus. Yet how often do we exclaim, "Wow, what a beautiful campus. The Grounds Team here must work really hard."

It is about time we do. The Grounds Team can be found working around the clock twelve months of the year beautifying Villanova's lawns, trees, flowers and landscaping, not to mention cleaning up after thousands of students, faculty, and staff.

Unlike others who work for the University, the work done by the Grounds Team is enjoyed by each and every person who sets foot on campus.

So, the next time you pass by a member of the Grounds Team, you might want to extend a word of congratulations or thanks for all they do for all of us at Villanova, or even offer a silent thought of gratitude.

But remember that they are not the only unsung heroes on our campus. Many teams, such as Custodial Services, Facilities Management, and Dining Services, are not followed half as closely as others on this campus. And these teams don't practice and play for just one season!

Choose or Lose encourages political awareness among MTV viewers

By EILEEN KELLY
Staff Reporter

"Choose to stand up and be counted, your voice will be heard," are words MTV used in effort to motivate eligible voters to head to the poles this November. It's a tough task, but MTV News is giving it a go as they continue with their *Choose or Lose* campaign. MTV is tackling the project with this program, a segment of MTV news, as well as a nationwide campaign to get the political messages and issues of the '96 campaign to viewers.

The goal of *Choose or Lose* is to increase MTV viewers' political awareness as well as involvement in the election. As described by Dave Sirulnick, executive producer of MTV, "*Choose or Lose* is about getting involved . . . about choosing to have a voice in the direction your country is heading."

In effort to spread the message, MTV has launched a nationwide tour of their *Choose or Lose Bus*, a rather eccentric charter bus which hit the open roads during the primaries and continues to bring road reports, surveys and publicity to the network's campaign coverage.

The bus stops are generally geared to hit younger voter populations such as college campuses, concerts, and well-publicized events such as the MTV Video Music Awards. Naturally the red, white and blue cruiser was on the scene at both Democratic and Republican Party Conventions.

Choose or Lose organizes voter registration rallies to be held at each bus stop. Volunteers are notified and a non-partisan effort is made to get people registered for November's election.

Updates of bus locations, *Choose or Lose* surveys, interviews, special reports and voter guides appear on a regular segment of MTV news. Another means of getting tuned into the political scene through *Choose or Lose* can be found at the world wide web sight http:/mtv.com/chooseorlose.html.

Archers of Loaf produce best album to date

By CARA BECKERICH
Entertainment Editor

All the Nations Airports, Archers of Loaf's third full album, is perhaps their best to date. Consisting of Eric Bachmann (vocals,/guitar), Matt Gentling (bass), Eric Johnson (guitar) and Mark Price (drums), the Archers have without a doubt succeeded in keeping their listeners happily surprised with each new release. In the four years that they have been together Archers of Loaf have never stopped experimenting with and mixing new and different sounds.

For those who are not familiar with the music of Archers of Loaf, their first full length album *Icky Mettle* was released in 1993. It received incredible press from college radio stations. They ate it up like candy. Their first single, "Web in Front," was played on MTV and Spin magazine hailed them as "The Best Indie Rock Album of the Year." It stayed on the CMJ record charts for 22 weeks. In 1994, they released an e.p, *Greatest of All Time*, while they toured Europe and theU.S. for over a year, with a n appearance at England's Reading Festival. The next year, *Vee Vee*, their second full length album was released. It charted on CMJ's Top 50 for 14 weeks, 6 of which were spent in the Top 10. Fame and fortune grew quickly for the Archers with national recognition and supporting slots with the Flaming Lips and Weezer. Earlier this year *The Speed of Cattle*, a collection of B-sides, alternative versions, live moments and John Peel sessions from '94, it hit 2 on the CMJ charts and held in th eTop 50 for over two months. It was observed by Spin magazine as "a picture of the Archers at their trashiest."

With one listen of the CD it is clear that the Archers have taken extra time and special care with *All the Nations Airports*. Unlike the previous albums that that were recorded live, this one was approached a bit differently. The Archers produced with a more smoothly textured effect rather than the courseness of a live recording, but of course not without their signature hard-edged overlays. An eclectic mix of sounds and music blends together to create a perfect sound.

Each track on the CD explodes with fiery ambition, which keeps the listeners attention stuck like double-sided tape. Songs like "Strangled by the Stereo Wire," which is the introduction to the CD, bang feverishly and without remorse, causing listeners everywhere to smile with satisfaction. Softer songs, such as "Chumming the Oceans," border on ballad-like but luckily do not dive into boredom. Instead they provide a moment of calm before the storm. The clever usage of mellow instrumentals placed between fits of spasmatic fury is an unexpected treat. According to Bachmann, "it's sounding better than anything we've done so far."

Out in stores on September 24, *All the Nations Airports* should be a definite addition to any decent CD collection. For older Archers of Loaf fans it proves to be a perfect follow-up to 1995's *Vee Vee*, and for those who are new to the scene will find *All the Nations Airports* to be a perfect place to start.

Presently, Archers of Loaf are touring in support of thier latest endevour. They are touring and trying to increase their fan base. As Bachmann puts it, "I think I want to do this for as long as it's fun." If the opportunity arises, do not miss the Archers live. Rumor has it they put on a terrific live show.

PHOTO CREDIT: RUBEN COX

From left to right Matt Gentling, Eric Bachman, Eric Johnson and Mark Price recorded their third album, *All America's Airports*.

CAT provides movies, music, lectures, comedy and more

By LORI SKARBEK
Staff Reporter

What are you doing this weekend? This is a common question at Villanova on Friday afternoons, but if you really want a good answer, check out what CAT has planned for students this year.

Right now, our fall line-up sizzles with cool bands, exciting trips, hilarious comedians, provocative lectures, the latest movies and other unique special events. All of CAT's events are either free or very reasonably priced, and the best part about them is that they are all scheduled right here on campus. This semester's highlights include:

MUSIC

Moon Boot Lover (9/13): Based in Woodstock, N.Y., this high-energy, high-powered funk band's live shows are their strength. Their musical style ranges from soul to blues to roots to free form jazz.

God Street Wine (9/26): CAT is proud to bring you this NYC-based jam band fresh off of the HORDE Tour this summer. GSW released *Red* on Mercury Records this year and has since been touring nonstop. Tickets - $5 for students, on sale NOW in 214 Dougherty.

Rockwell Church (10/4): RC is one of the freshest voices on the acoustic folk-rock scene. Their debut album, produced by John Alagia (Dave Matthews Band), has received national acclaim. They will be performing as an acoustic duo as well as with the full band!

Vertical Horizon (10/24): This exciting new band had two songs featured on the *AWARE II* CD and recently released their second CD, *Running on Ice*. VH has toured extensively throughout the U.S. and has shared the stage with the Allman Brothers, The Samples & Better Thsn Ezra.

MOVIES

CAT shows movies in the Connelly Center Cinema every Thursday and Friday night at 7 & 10 p.m. Tickets are only $3 each, and you can also purchase plenty of great snacks and drinks at a fraction of the price of area movie theaters. This semester CAT's blockbuster program features *The Rock* (9/26&9/27), *Mission Impossible* (9/19&9/20), *Independence Day* (11/7&11/8), *A Time to Kill* (11/21&11/22), and *Phenomenon* (11/14&11/15), to name a few.

LECTURES

Tabitha Soren (10/23): Tabitha has been anchoring MTV's election coverage for the second straight Presidential election. She is also a recipient of the prestigious Peabody Award for excellence in journalism. She will address the topic of "Politics, Generation X and the Election of 1996.

Henry Rollins - Spoken Word Tour (10/29): Don't miss this powerful, one-of-a-kind program ! Henry's spoken word presentations are full of hilarious stories and perceptive insights, combined with a strong motivational message.

TRIPS

Hershey Park (9/14): Join the fun of this exciting amusement park, andthen see where all that chocolate comes from!

Reading Outlets (11/23): A great time to get away for the day and get a head start on your Christmas shopping!

New York City (12/7): A full day to explore the city, do some shopping and see Rockefeller Plaza & Christmas time !

SPECIAL EVENTS

CBS College Tour (9/26 & 9/27): This popular event is a great opportunity to test yours skills as a broadcaster, a soap opera star or a contestant on "The Price is Right."

Block Party Weekend (9126-9128): Celebrate the return of the Fall semester with a variety of activities including a Street Dance, Casino Night and much more !

Merry Christmas Villanova Week (12/6-12/12): Celebrate the holidays right with a Holiday Bazaar, Tree Lighting Ceremony, ethnic celebrations and other activities.

COMEDY AND NOVELTY

Brad Lowery (9/11): A veteran of the college circuit, Brad has appeared on "Def Comedy Jam," Caroline's Comedy Hour" and "Showtime at the Apollo."

Bill Fry:Comedy in the Air (9/28): Bill has performed at the White House and on NBC, PBS and "Entertainment Tonight." He's also a former world juggling champion !

The Ronny Romm ESP/Hypnosis Show (11/16): Ronny Romm combines amazing demonstrations of ESP with his hilarious use of hypnosis in one incredible show !

Dave Chappelle (11/19): One of today's hottest young comedians, Dave has appeared in *The Nutty Professor, Robin Hood: Men in Tights* and has hosted HBO's "Def Comedy Jam." He also recently signed a music deal with Touchstone Pictures !

Check CAT's weekly page in the *Villanovan* for dates and times or call 581-CATS. Don't miss the hottest programs on campus this fall!

Much swing at V.U.'s Belle Air Ska show

By JOHN REDDEN
Staff Reporter

That's right. The ska show right here at Villanova went extremely well. It was held at 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept.6 in the Belle Aire Terrace. The entire place was packed, with all of the tables on the first and second floors filled up and mostly everyone else dancing in front of the stage.

"What exactly is ska music?" one might ask. Simply put, it is a combination of reggae and swing. The bands most often have a horn section, which makes the range of members anywhere from three to 3 members. The bands' unique sound makes the music very easy to dance to, so it is not surprising to see that mostly everyone dancing.

First up to play were the Upstanders, who are from West Chester, Pa. They definitely set the tempo for the rest of the show, turning the lifeless crowd into a mob of people dancing together. Because they are not that well known yet, many were very surprised at how well The Upstanders played,proving that they definitely have a bright future ahead of them. All they need are a few breaks here and there.

Next on the bill was the Philly ska band Ska Blazers. Their style is a blend of slow and fast songs which are very different from one another. As one girl pointed out, they really know how to "work the crowd."

They started off with a slow introduction, and then hit hard with fast and furious ska music. The stage presence of their lead singer, Brian Potash, is superb. He constantly dances, even while he sings, and dances with the crowd during their instrumental songs.

This type of show can be very tiring, which was evident when about one-half of the crowd departed as soon as the Ska Blazers were finished. Another reason could be that the Ska Blazers were the most well-known band there, and many came only to see them. Whoever did leave missed out on a great band.

Since the Jumpstarts could not make it, due to inclement weather, the last band of the night was Johnny Too Bad and the Strikeouts.

Their popularity has soared on the East Coast in the past year or so. This very talented band from Connecticut got even those who said they were too tired to move up and at it again. All of their songs are extremely catchy and they left the crowd hot and out of breath.

Overall, this show was just too good to miss, especially for those who have never been to a ska show before. Even the cost of the show would not be a good excuse, because it was only$2, which is a small price to pay to hear a new type of music.

If there is anyone who is interested in seeing any other ska shows, there are two coming up this month at the Trocadero, and hopefully the good turnout will bring more of these shows to Villanova this year and the years to follow.

Cultural film: "The Scent of Green Papaya"

By KRISTI RICCI
Staff Reporter

"The Scent of Green Papaya," the first Oscar-nominated film from Vietnam, is the second offering in Villanova's Fall '96 Cultural Film Series. The film is an ironic Cinderella story about a poor Vietnamese servant girl who falls madly in love with her rich, handsome and educated employer. It takes place in the undivided Vietnam of the '50s and early '60s, the country's good old days.

Written and directed by Tran Anh Hung, the film opens with the young servant Mui (played by Lu Man San) being portrayed as the perfect child, full of natural wonder and surprise at the freedom of her masters. She is a quiet observer of the family's many unspoken troubles. Her acceptance of her lovely "place" is never openly addressed by the film as a problem for her. Although an American audience may feel distraught about Mui's situation, she never displays any discontent.

The second half of the film deals with 20-year-old Mui (played by Tran Nu Yen-Khe) as she is sent to work for a young, wealthy man she had admired since she was a young girl.

However, these scenes must be watched with the utmost attention as the film turns toward a more silent style.

While most films depend on plot, character and action to develop a story, "Papaya" relies on scrupulous attention to detail in order to capture the essences of the life's subtle yet precious moments.

"The Scent of Green Papaya" is a beautifully crafted period film, rich in images and translucent colors. The camera lingers on plants, food, windows--ordinary things of everyday life that we tend to overlook.

The colors, music and sound effects become important contributors to the plot and storyline of the film as there are many sequences when not even a single word is spoken. "Papaya"is an attractive, enchanting film because of its simplicity.

AlthoughVietnam does not have a long history of cinema(1959 was the first feature from the country,) its filmakers have been gaining international recognition in recent years. In the 1993 debut that won tha Camera d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival, "The Scent of Papaya" marked the beginning of an international reputation, not just for Tran Anh Hung as a director, but also for Vietnamese cinema in general.

Ironically, though, Tran, while born in Vietnam, was raised and educated in France, and "Papaya" was largely filmed on a sound staage outside Paris.

"The Scent of Green Papaya" is a unique film which should not be missed. It will have four screenings in the University's Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.; Sunday Sept.15, at 3:30 and 7 p.m. and Monday, Sept. 16 at 7p.m.

The Monday offering will be introduced by guest speaker Bill Costanzo, who will also lead a discussion, "The Scent of Green Papaya: Remembrance of things past in prewar Vietnam," following the screening. Admission is $3 for students with I.D. and $4 for the general public.

As with all foreign films screned by the Cultural Film and Lecture Series, "Papaya" is in its original language--Vietnamese--with English subtitles.

For more information, call x94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m

This exquisite tapestry of mood and nuance is the first major film to show Vietnamese cultural in its own terms.

PHOTO CREDIT: MARK SELIGER

Young Dylan follows in fathers footsteps.

Wallflowers introduce their sound to the main stream

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

Life has been good lately for the LA-based band The Wallflowers. Their latest album, *Bringing Down the House*, was released to outstanding acclaim from both critics and fans, and the album's first single, "96th Avenue Heartache," burst onto the airwaves and into the charts this summer.

The five-man band, headed by Jakob Dylan (for those of you who are wondering, yes, he is Bob's son), has been touring extensively to promote their new album, and just recently played a well- received show to a sold-out crowd at the Theater of the Living Arts in Philadelphia.

Bringing Down the House seems to be exactly what the Wallflowers need to push their music into the mainstream. Released on Interscope Records, the album delivers the band's distinctive bluesy style, as well as showcasing the individual talents of its members. The tracks, which vary from ballads to good old-fashioned rock and roll, are highlighted by the keyboards of Rami Jaffee and guitar of Michael Ward but especially by the soulful vocals of Jakob Dylan.

The album also features guest appearances by the likes of Adam Duritz of Counting Crows, who lends background vocals to "96th Avenue Heartache," and Michael Penn, who turns up on various tracks.

The album runs through a variety of highs and lows, reminiscent of a stormy relationship as if it were followed from beginning to end.

The album runs through a variety of highs and lows, reminiscent of a stormy relationship as if it were followed from beginning to end. It opens with "One Headlight," an upbeat number with a distinctive beat, and guitar reminiscent of Tom Petty.

Songs such as "Angel On My Bike" and "Invisible City," reveal Dylan's outstanding talent as a lyricist, no doubt inherited from his famous father. In fact, "Josephine," a stirring acoustic ballad about a man begging for forgiveness, could have been taken directly from a Bob Dylan album.

In "The Difference," Dylan shows his cynical side with lyrics such as ". . . you always said you needed some, but you had more than anyone. The only difference there is to me, is you're exactly the same as you used to be".

The final track, "I Wish I Felt Nothing," is fueled by Dylan's heart felt vocals. It tells of learning to cope with last love and brings a fitting end to the album.

Bringing Down the House is definitely an excellent addition to any CD collection. With its poetic lyrics and powerful melodies, it is sure to become an instant classic.

Spelling's casting calls come to area

Special to The Villanovan

As part of a nationwide search to find fresh new faces for NBC's new daytime serial from Aaron Spelling, "Sunset Beach," NBC and Spelling Entertainment will hold two-day open casting calls in eight U.S. cities — Denver; Miami-Ft. Lauderdale; Philadelphia; San Antonio, Texas; San Francisco; Columbus, Ohio; San Diego and Las Vegas (see schedule below) — Sept.10-27.

YOU COULD BE A STAR OF AARON SPELLING'S NEW NBC DAYTIME SERIAL,"SUNSET BEACH"; CASTING CALLS TO BE HELD IN EIGHT U.S. CITIES

Held in partnership with NBC affiliates in each of the markets, the casting call is open to all men and women, 18 to 25 years of age, Applicants should be "attractive, dynamic and physically fit" and willing to move to Los Angeles should they obtain a role on the show.

Interested individuals should arrive at the designated location between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. (Please note no entries will be accepted after 4 p.m.). Male auditions will be held on the first day in each city and female auditions will be held on the second day.

All auditioners will be prescreened and those who make the cut will be provided with a script to prepare for a videotaped reading later that day. Taped readings will later be reviewed by "Sunset Beach" casting directors as well as NBC and Spelling executives. By Oct. 4, one male and one female from each city will be chosen to fly to Los Angeles (expenses paid) for an official "Sunset Beach" screen test

Listed in *The Guinness Book of World Records* as the most productive television producerof all time, Spelling is well-known for such television landmarks as "The Love Boat," "Charlie's Angels" and "Dynasty." His current crop of primetime serials includes "Beverly Hills 90210," "Melrose Place" and "Savannah," which have produced such break-out stars as Heather Locklear, Jason Priestly, Jennie Garth, Luke Perry, Andrew Shue, Laura Leighton and, of course, his daughter Tori Spelling.

A Spelling Entertainment Production, "Sunset Beach" will air Monday-Friday on NBC daytime (check local listings for times) beginning Jan. 6, 1997. Aaron Spelling, E. Duke Vincent and Gary Tomlin are the executive producers; Bob Guza ts the show's head wrtter.

PHILADELPHIA-Fri., Sept. 13 (males) & Sept. 14 (females)
Location: Franklin Mills Mall, 145 Franklin Mills Blvd., N.E. Philadelphia
Time: Please arrive between 8 a.m. and 4p.m.
Local Partner: NBC 10 WCAU.

Main Line Resturants: best and worst of '96

By JANET RUDDOCK
Entertainment Editor

Are you sick of eating at the same old restaurant time and time again? Are you tired of ordering the same old hamburger/club sandwich every time you go out? If you answered yes to either or both of these questions then this is the column for you.

To start off the new school year we would like to begin with a recap of the best and worst of the spring '96 "Eating on the Main line."

BEST (****-*****)

Topping our best list is the Primavera Pizza Kitchen and Marbles Restaurant and Bar. The Primavera Pizza Kitchen is the place to be if you have an appetite for something Italian with prices ranging from $5 to $20 there is something for everyone here. Located at 7 E. Lancaster Ave. Ardmore, Primavera Pizza Kitchen serves up gourmet pastas and pizzas at a reasonable cost with an exquisite atmosphere.

If you are out with a group with varying tastes and appetites, then Marbles Restaurant and Bar is the place to be. They have just about everything from pita pizzas and burgers to platters and pastas-no matter what your income or your taste buds you are bound to be satisfied. The food ranges from the everyday to the unusual with prices from about $6 to $14. And once again the atmosphere is exquisite. Located in Bryn Mawr next to the Bryn Mawr movie theatre on Lancaster Ave.

GOOD (***-***)

Variety is the spice of life so the following restaurants are worth frequenting. Ruby's a unique place to visit, is a fifties style dinner offering classic American choices. Desert is a must at Ruby's with old fashioned fountain treats. Located in Suburban Square, Ruby's is a great place to stop for some fries and a burger.

The Boccie Restaurant and Bar, yet another Italian restaurant, provides an ambience that makes you feel as if you have walked into an Italian cafe. This restaurant has a family atmosphere, it is perfect for the folks at parents weekend, but it is probably not the place you want to take-a date. Boccie is located in Suburban Square as well.

If you are in the mood for some Chinese cooking we recommend the Sampan Inn for its plentitude of authentic Chinese cooking. Even on an off night this restaurant can be crowded. It is located at 8 Brookline Blvd., Havertown.

The Tsukiyama is a great place to go for Japanese. It has variety of choices so that those who aren't urchin for sea food can pass on the sushi with still plenty left on the menu to choose from.

WORST(*-***)

Topping our worst places to eat on the Main Line last semester were the Central Bar and Grill and Bertucci's. The Central Bar and Grill combined a cheesy atmosphere with a limited menu to rank on our worst list. In defense of these bad qualities if you can get past the limited and unappetizing menu and actually order something it isn't that bad.

Bertucci's ranks on our list for one main reason—horrible service. Once you actually get seated the food is okay but nothing to write home about and certainly not worth the horrible service they provide.

This week, check out our first edition of "Eating on the Main Line" at Jade Garden.

Eating on the Main Line

By GAIL A. HAMOY
Staff Reporter

Is the Friday night hamburger routine getting old already? Why not try something with a bit of flair and a lot of culture? Jade Garden, located at the Plaza in the King of Prussia Mall may be the answer, and it's only at 20 minute drive along Rt. 320. I know it sounds suspiciously like another Chinese restaurant, but you'll be surprised.

I stumbled upon this restaurant, which specializes in Chinese and Japanese cuisine when I was looking for a new place to go with my friends. The decor can be described as contemporary American and the atmosphere friendly and casual. Even on Friday or Saturday night when dressing up is more appropriate, this feeling never dissipates. The varied menu offers Chinese dishes prepared Cantonese, Mandarin, and Szechuan style and on the Japanese side, there is a sushi bar, tempura, and hibachi cooking. The latter is part dinner, part theatrical experience, and a lot of fun!

For those who have never tried it, hibachi involves sitting around a bar-like table with other people and sharing a meal that is prepared before their very eyes. A skilled, not to mention adroit chef, wheels in a cart with all of his ingredients and introduces himself. Then the show begins. While he makes small talk or jokes with you, your eyes never leave the egg that is being juggled and flipped into the air, after which it lands squarely on the edge of the spatula and cracks neatly. After more tricks like this, the meals are quickly served and everyone claps like 5-year-olds at the circus. Too late, you realize that you are thoroughly enjoying yourself. Not only have you been distracted by the performance while waiting for dinner, you've picked up a few new culinary tricks to try the next time you stir fry for guests, and you've carried on a conversation with people who share the same taste for adventure and great food.

The hibachi menu is a full course meal, complete with Japanese greens, soup, appetizer, meat, vegetable, rice, and dessert.

It is tasty, and relatively inexpensive, and in my opinion very satisfying. If you decide to go, reservations aren't necessary, but they might make things easier on an often crowded night.

Emmy awards honor the best in entertainment

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

On Monday Sept. 8, the 1996 prime time Emmy Awards show was telecast live from Pasedena, Ca. These awards recognize excellence in evening programming annually; however, this year's show also marked the 50th anniversary of the Television Academy of Arts and Sciences, a group whose members vote on the award recipients. In keeping with this celebration, throughout the night there were various tributes to TV legends. This footage included a humorous segment on late-night talk showhosts, as well as a more poignant one featuring clips of those stars the entertainment industry has lost within the past year.In addition, the first annual President's Award, given to one program that explores a particular social issue in depth, was awarded to "Black List: Hollywood on Trial," which chronicles the experiences of celebrities whose reputations came under attack during the era of Joe McCarthy.

The 1996 Prime Time Emmy Awards show also highlighted some of television's most memorable moments, including the famous "We are the World" video and a rarely seen duet between Elvis Presley and Frank Sinatra. For those of you who missed the show, here is a list of winners from some of the most popular categories:

Outstanding Variety/Music/ Comedy Series: "Dennis Miller Live."

Supporting Actress in a Drama Series: Tyne Dailey of "Christy."

Supporting Actor in a Drama Series: Ray Walston of "Picket Fences."

Outstanding Miniseries: "Gulliver's Travels."

Outstanding Made-for-TV Movie: "Truman."

Actress in a Comedy Series: Helen Hunt of "Mad About You."

Actor in a Comedy Series: John Lithgow of "Third Rock From the Sun."

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Sept. 29, 7 p.m. — Dave Matthews Band, Soul Coughing
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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

"Tin Cup" pleases fans, young and old alike

By VIVIAN BLANCO
Staff Reporter

If a star-studded film is what you are looking for, look no further. "Tin Cup," featuring Kevin Costner, Don Johnson, Cheech Marin and Renee Russo, takes you to the dusty fields of Salomene, Texas.

Here, heartthrob Kevin Costner plays Roy McAvoy, (alias Tin Cup) a golf pro down in the dumps, living in a winnebago and managing a golf range.

This is not one of Costner's action-packed roles like those he plays in "Robin Hood:Prince of Thieves" or "Waterworld." He does, however, once again play a man in the quest for love.

Director Ron Shelton outdid himself in using the talents of such a well-rounded cast. Each character compliments one another and gives the film the edge it needs to be a playful comedy with romance, suspense and macho rivalry.

Renee Russo plays the sophisticated leading lady, psychologist Dr. Molly Griswold, who goes to McAvoy for golf lessons. It is here that she captures his heart and mind.

There is one problem McAvoy must face in order to get his girl, and that is his old college friend David Simms. Simms, played by Don Johnson, is a hot shot golf pro, who, unlike Tin Cup, had made it big in the golf world. He is also the current boyfriend of Griswold.

Information about "Tin Cup":

Running time: 2 hours and 10 minutes
Now playing at: AMC Bryn Mawr TwinTheate
824 Lancaster Ave
(610) 525-2662
Price: $4.00 before 6 p.m. and $6.00 after
How to get there: Take the R5 (Mendel side) to Bryn Mawr (2 stops) and then walk up Lancaster Avenue or take the shuttle bus.

McAvoy finds himself so desperate for money that he pawns his own golf clubs and even caddies for Simms in a tournament. Tin cup does have his defining moments throughout the film, where his pride and stubbornness take over.

This gives him many shining moments and incredible golf shots, yet it also shows his downfalls.

Cheech Marin is the best supporting actor one can find. His comical antics and accent will make anyone love this film. He plays Romeo, Tin Cup's caddy and swing instructor who acts as McAvoy's reason and sound judgement.

"Tin Cup" revolves around McAvoy preparing for the US Open with the hopes to show Griswald that he is the man for her. She eventually breaks down and helps him with his mental game, while Romeo aids him with the physical aspects.

There are definitely some unexpected twists and unusual methods of golf presented in this movie, which are well worth the trip to the theater.

"Tin Cup" is a relaxing movie that one can just sit back and relax while watching.

In fact, it is hard to believe that all of the golf shots are performed by the actors themselves. One need not be a golf expert, be up on the golf lingo or even like golf to relate to this movie.

Oh, and if you want to find out how McAvoy gets the name Tin Cup, wins the Open and gets the girl, you'll just have to go see the movie yourself.

Concerts

HERSHEY PARK ARENA

Oct. 4, 5:30 p.m. — David Copperfield
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Oct. 7, 7:30 p.m. — Dave Matthews Band, Boxing Gandhis
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The Rockets Rock at the Lagoon

By DANIELLE DIAMOND
Staff Reporter

Energetic, fun, and pure unadulterated talent are the only words used to describe the band The Rockets. On Sept. 6,1996, the six person band performed for five hours as they brought down the house of Philadelphia's nightclub The Lagoon.

Although the band does not sing their own original music, their true charm lies in the group's unbelievable talent to perform a wide variety of songs. From Van Morisson to Bush and Blondie to Alanis Morrissette, the band kept the entire dance floor moving for hours.

The band brought the crowd to a head banging, moshing frenzy when Brett Foreman, vocalist and guitaris performed Bush's "Machinehead," and Tony(Tiny)Foreman appealed to all of those Beastie Boy fans by belting out "Brass Monkey".

It is evident in their performance that not only are these talented members pleasing their audience, but they are truly enjoying what they are doing at the same time.

They are emphatic about music and receive total pleasure at being able to targettheir music toward all age groups.

The Rockets can also be distinguished from other bands by their ability to play at different places. They are completely adaptable to their environment and audience. They play a wide range of places such as clubs like Kat-Man-Do in Philadelphia, alternative clubs along the Jersey Shore, to weddings and bar mitzvahs.

The band consists of members Mark Yushchak, Jeanine Balzotti, Brett Forman, Tom(Tiny) Callan, Jonathan Harwood and Bob Pirelyis. The Rockets were started 11 years ago by manager Bill Stott, who also manages such bands as Split Decision, The Interns and El Kabong.

During the summer, The Rockets play six to seven gigs per week throughout the southern Jersey Shore and in the fall they cover Philadelphia and Northeastern Pennsylvania Villanova students should keep their eyes and ears open for the Rockets who are looking forward to returning to Brownies in the fall.

P U Z Z L E

Mortal Kombat
by Joe Gribbin

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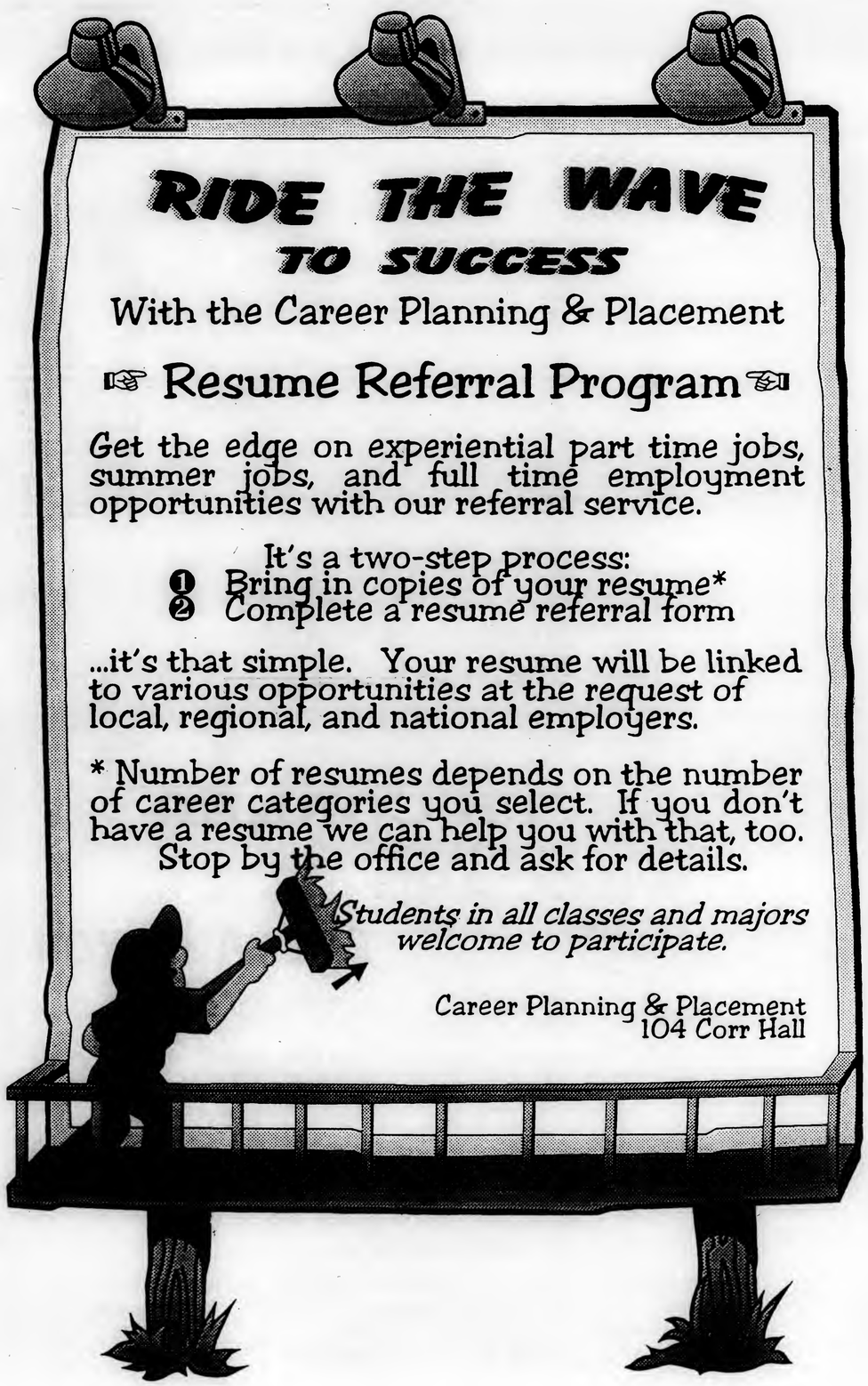

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S P O R T S

Crew attempts to improve with move

By MEGHAN SARBANIS
Staff Reporter

They may be rowing down the river, but in regards to achievement and recognition the women's crew team is doing nothing but moving up in the world. For the first time in Villanova history, women's crew will be stepping up from a club sport to the varsity level. The aspiring team could not be more excited to take advantage of all the wonderful opportunities and experiences which lay ahead of it. Head Coach Jack St. Clair will return this fall for his second year coaching the women's team. While studying at Temple University, St. Clair competed in both crew and cross-country. He went on to become a U.S. National Team rower and rowed in a number of prestigious regattas, including the World Championships in 1975 and 1977. St. Clair is aided by two fine assistant coaches, John Heiss and Anne Grabowski, both of whom are former Villanova rowers.

Since this is the first year crew will be competing at the varsity level, the team's schedule has become a little more rigorous. In the spring, boats compete in sprints, rather than in the 5000m head races that they row in the fall. Most of the races are rowed with either four or eight rowers plus a coxswain, whose job it is to steer the boat and help keep the rowers in sync with one another. For most regattas there are three categories: Varsity Championship Eight, Varsity Lightweight Eight and Club Eight. Prestigious rowing events including the Head of the Charles, Dadvail Regatta, San Diego Crew Classic, Eastern Sprints and National Collegiate Championships.

The Lady Wildcats are returning after having completed their most successful season ever. Some commendable top finishes last fall included a win at the Dadvail Regatta head race in the heavyweight eight, lightweight eight wins at the Navy Regatta and Head of the Ohio as well as second in Head of the Schuylkill and a third at Head of the Charles and Club heavyweight eight win at Head of the Ohio.

The team will be led by senior Captain Kristan Hoskins, whose leadership and dedication made her an easy choice. Some of the other top Varsity returnees include juniors Liz Bullard, Katie Douglass, Jess Meriam and seniors Molly Smith and Aimee Regis. The team also has a promising strong crop of sophomores returning who should be instrumental in the boats this year after turning in some outstanding performances last season.

The coaches, the rowers, the coxswains and the University are all eagerly anticipating a season filled with success. The only element the team really lacks is experience at the varsity level.

"Stepping up to the Varsity level against traditional powerhouses will test the meddle of this young, but eager squad," Assistant Coach John Heiss commented. "They are a relatively inexperienced team compared to most crews they will be facing considering all but three rowers began rowing as they entered Villanova."

With the continuing improvement that the women have made over the past few years and the recognition that they have gained nationwide already, it does not appear that they will have any trouble achieving their goals this season.

"Considering the success we had last spring, it should be a very promising season," St. Clair said. "It better be or they will pay for it in practice."

'Nova begins their season this Sunday with an Alumni Day filled with races and a picnic. Upcoming dates of their other regattas this fall include Kings Head of the Schuylkill on Sept. 22, Head of the Ohio on Oct. 5, Head of the Charles on Oct. 20, the Princeton Chase on Nov. 10 and for the novice rowers the Belly of the Carnegie on Nov. 16.

FILE PHOTO
The women's crew team will be competing for the first time ever at the varsity level. Despite the move up, they have the depth and experience to compete with the best in the sport.

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S P O R T S

Volleyball surges after losses

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

In the past two weeks, the women's volleyball team has compiled a 3-3 record while competing in tournaments at Hofstra and at the University of California.

On Aug. 30, the Wildcats traveled to participate in the Hofstra Invitational, where their first opponents were Maryland. The result was 0-3, as 'Nova dropped all three games, 13-15, 10- 15 and 7- 15. The next day, the Wildcats had to face two more opponents, Hofstra and Loyola (Md.). Against Hofstra, the women posted a 3-0 victory, 15- 11, 15-7 and 15- 12. 'Nova clinched another victory, 3 -0, over Loyola, with game scores of 15-9, 15- 11 and 15 -6.

This past weekend, the Wildcats traveled to compete in the California Invitational held in the Harmon Gym at the University of California in Berkeley.

'Nova came away with one win out of their three matches to finish in third place behind first place Illinois State and second place California.

On Friday, the Wildcats were defeated by California, 15-5, 15-6 and 15-8. Junior Marisa Davidson had an impressive performance as she had six kills and seven digs.

On Saturday, the Wildcats had two matches. 'Nova was defeated in their first match of the day by Illinois State, 15- 11, 15- 13 and 15-8.

Their third match of the tournament resulted in a 16- 14, 15-7, 15-6 victory over Colgate. Davidson's 10 kills and eight digs helped lead the team to the victory.

In the past six matches, sophomore Megan O'Brien leads the team with 75 kills, 10 aces and 92 digs. Right behind O'Brien, junior Stacey Evans has contributed 63 kills and 62 digs.

This weekend, 'Nova will travel to Amherst, Mass. to take on Central Connecticut, Delaware and Massachusetts at the UMass Invitational.

FILE PHOTO

With many experienced returness, the women's volleyball squad looks to dominate Big East competition.

Water polo set to continue success

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

With a successful 1995 season, posting an 18-8 record, and with losing only two seniors from the 1995 squad, the men's water polo team has the potential to repeat its success as its 1996 campaign is underway. Head Coach Dan Sharadin enters his 14th year at Villanova, and will look to continue and build on his team's past successes.

One of the major strengths of the team is the driver position. Sophomore Pat Kain should be a major force after coming off of an impressive freshman season where he finished with 29 goals and seven assists, as well as the honor of being named to the United States National Junior team.

Senior Co-Captain Dave Prusakowski will also add to the depth at the driver position. Senior Tom Tracey will return to the team after a year off in which he trained for the Olympic swimming trials. His stamina, along with the efforts of Paul Granneman and Anthony Santoro, will be key factors in the Wildcats' fortunes.

Senior Co-Captain Jamie Randall and Junior Darren Hardel will occupy the two meter position and look to be major offensive threats. After being injured for most of last season, Randall managed to come back and score 20 goals. Hardel led the team offensively, with 54 goals, 20 assists and 35 fouls drawn.

Marcus Sanford and Brian Tomsheck will be two more offensive threats as they both scored over 20 goals last season. Granneman, Santoro, John Riley and Mike Miller will share time in the utility position.

The team lost a major component of the 1995 team at the goalie position. Junior Brian Brown, who had limited time in goal last season, will be looked upon to face the challenge. Freshman John Richard will back up Brown in goal.

With its schedule underway, this highly talented and experienced team has the potential to reach many levels of success. This weekend, the Wildcats travel to Virginia to take on Richmond, George Washington and Washington and Lee.

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S P O R T S

Are Cowboys still the team to beat?

Ice: Boys are still atop NFL

By STEPHEN HAUG
Staff Columnist

The Dallas Cowboys ended the 1996 season the same way that they ended the 1993 and 1994 seasons: as the champions of the NFL. They also experienced a tough off season, but unlike years past, it wasn't entirely due to free agent losses. Michel Irvin's dealings with shady characters got him suspended for five games and Jay Novacek's back problems did not go away, leaving his status uncertain for the year. However, in my mind the Dallas Cowboys are still the team to beat.

The Cowboys took their usual hits in the offseason, particularly on defense: Maryland, Brown, Edwards and Jones are all gone. None of these players, however, made the Pro Bowl last year and all can be replaced. Chad Hennings, Fred Strickland, Broderick Thomas and Kevin Smith, who was considered one of the league's best corners before missing last season due to injury, will enable Dallas to remain one of the league's best on defense.

Not many teams can claim to have four All-Pros on defense as does Dallas in Charles Haley, Leon Lett, Darren Woodson and Deion. With linebacker Darrin Smith ready for a full season after last season's contract holdout, the D in Dallas could be better than ever. Just ask Dave Brown, Rodney Hampton and the Giants.

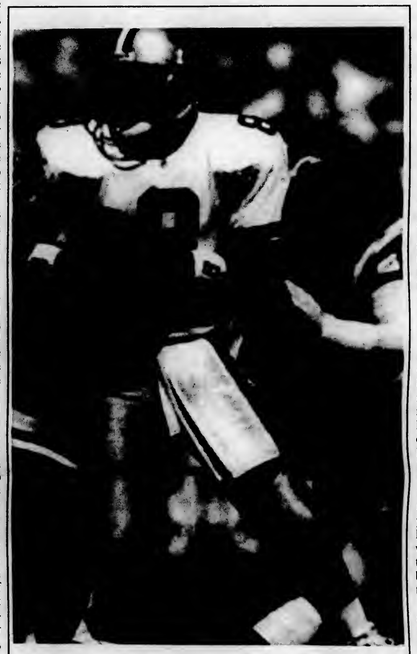
Fire believes that Irvin's suspension is a vital reason the Cowboys are not the team to beat. Irvin, however, will be ready to go in game six, in time for the 49ers and Packers. Although he won't match last season's 111 catches and 1,603 yards, he is still one of the game's best players and will be out to prove it. In the meantime, Deion will strut his stuff on both sides of the ball.

Dallas still returns the best offensive line in football, the best fullback in "Moose" Johnson and quarterback Troy Aikman. Oh yeah, that Emmitt Smith guy is still around, the same one that scored an NFL record 25 touchdowns last year, who is in his prime at 27and rushed for 94 yards and caught a touchdown while still feeling the effects of his Monday Night Football injury. Although the loss of Jay Novacek possibly for the year hurts, not to many teams would complain about having this offense.

Fire believes that the Green Bay Packers are the team to beat and has adopted them as his favorite team. Coincidently, the Pack became his team after his previous favorite team, the Giants, fell to 0-2 after losing to the Cowboys. If the Pack had lost to Philly, Fire would probably argue that the Eagles are the team to beat. Stick with one team Fire, or you're going to blow a lot of money buying new hats each week.

So far, the Packers have looked awfully good with two impressive performances, including the dismantling of my Philly squad on Monday Night Football. Fire leaves out the fact that Dallas beat the Pack in the NFC title game last year, making that seven straight wins versus Green Bay, including the last three years in the playoffs. When it's money time, the Pack have been no match. Are the Pack one of the favorites to go to the Super Bowl? Sure. However, Dallas has to be the team to beat because they are still the champs, the same way the Braves were the team to beat going into this year and the Bulls are going to be next year.

This season promises to be an interesting one, and several teams will emerge as the elite ones. But until the other 29 teams in the NFL can claim to have as many All-Pros on one team as Dallas and win three of the last four Super Bowls, the Cowboys are the team to beat heading into the 1996 season. Don't forget, the 'Boys were supposed to be history two years ago after losing Alvin Harper and Ken Norton Jr. But look what happened then.



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Although he is a proven passer, Aikman will miss two of his main targets this year: Jay Novacek and Michael Irvin (who was framed by the man).

Fire: Doomsday for Big D

By ROMAN VACCARI
Staff Columnist

"How 'bout them Cowboys!" Once upon a time these words uttered by ex-Cowboy and current Dolphins Head Coach Jimmy Johnson meant something. As the Niners were the team of the '80s, the Cowboys have been the team of the '90s, capturing an amazing three Super Bowl titles in the past four years. Without a doubt the Dallas Cowboys of the last four years represent one of the best dynasties in the history of the National Football League. For these four years, Dallas was the team to beat in the NFL.

Like any dynasty, however, there is always a decline. The Cowboys are experiencing the decline this year. They no longer are the team to beat in the NFL.

So why is Dallas no longer the team to beat? I've come up with five reasons:

1. Dallas has the best offensive line in the NFL in Mark Tuinei, Nate Newton, Ray Donaldson, Larry Allen and Erik Williams. The average age of Tunei, Newton and Donaldson is 36.

2. Emmitt Smith (9,108 regular season rushing yards in seven seasons) is arguably the best running back ever, despite only being only 27 years old. But, in seven seasons Emmitt has carried the ball 2,049 times. In the past three years, Smith has been injured seven times.

3. Deon Sanders is a great athlete who is capable of playing both ways. Playing in over 100 plays a game for an entire season will take its toll on anybody. There is no way Primetime can hold up.

4. Michael Irvin returns after game five. Misery loves company. And trouble loves Irvin.

5. Dallas still has four of the biggest stars in the game in Troy Aikman, Smith, Sanders and Irvin. Free agency losses the last couple years have stripped the Cowboys of the depth that once made them so unbeatable. This past off-season alone they lost defensive tackle Russell Maryland, cornerback Larry Brown and linebackers Robert Jones and Dixon Edwards.

So if Dallas is no longer the team to beat, who is? Rejoice Cheeseheads, the Green Bay Packers are the team this year. Here are the reasons for that:

1. Brett Farve has emerged as the best quarterback in the game. Some people, such as the *Villanovan's* Jon Klick, like to poke fun of the drug addiction Farve overcame this past off-season. These naive football "fans" don't realize that it's not the painkillers that make Brett Farve the player he is, but rather it is his talent, his guts and his will to win.

2. Edgar Bennett has become the reliable back (1,067 rushing yards last season) that the Packers haven't had in quite some time.

3. A very good defense is led by the best defensive line in the league.

4. Mike Holmgren is the best head coach in the NFC. There should be no question as to who would out-coach whom if the Packers were to face the Cowboys in a big game.

Holmgren, unlike Barry Switzer, would know better than to go for it on 4th and 1 from his own 29 in a tie game late in the fourth quarter. Then again it was the Eagles.

5. When Farve drops back to throw he has more options to throw to than any other team in the league. Wide receiver Robert Brooks (102 receptions, 1,497 yards, 13 TD's) and tight end Mark Chmura are two of the very best at their positions.

Throw in a motivated Keith Jackson, a speedy Antonio Freeman and Bennett and Farve can choose his poison.

Not many teams will beat Green Bay at all this year. Just ask Tampa Bay and Philly. Green Bay is the team to beat.

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S P O R T S

Major changes needed for Birds to fly in NFC East

KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

Okay, I'll admit it. I'm a hot and cold fan, but, by God, as a Philadelphian, it's my birth right to enter and exit the bandwagon whenever I see fit. Unlike those New York weenies who are always so proud about sticking with the G-Men even when they stink, we have the benefit of sensibility.

When our team is in the toilet, we don't have to swim with them. We don't feel the need to fill a stadium for a game that nobody cares about just to prove our fidelity to a national television audience. We get to stay at home, save 40 bucks and watch a good game.

So let it be known that I have absolutely no trouble saying the Birds are going to win the NFC East one week and starting the "Bring Back Buddy" cheer the next. But, with that said, I'm not ready to jump ship just yet; however, there are some major changes that need to be made in the wake of the Packers fiasco.

First of all, make Bobby Hoying the quarterback. He's the only guy on the depth chart that can throw any route longer than a 10 yard square out. Rodney's got a candy arm, and Ty's not much better. Reports out of camp said that Hoying's got a rifle, so you might as well use him.

Now many people will say that it's too early to concede the season just to get the rookie some work, but playing Hoying is not blowing off the year. This team's offense was never supposed to focus on the quarterback anyway. But, as it stands now, Offensive Coordinator John Gruden is not willing to call any plays to open the game up because Peete doesn't have the arm strength. Hoying can hand off as well as anyone else, and he gives the team some other options. And when Ricky Watters is playing like he played Monday night, the Eagles definitely need more options.

Now I'm as big a fan as any of Ricky's unfounded arrogance, but there has to be a limit. The guy wasn't even hit hard when he put the ball on the ground in the first half. Watters carries the ball with one hand more often than not, ala Walter Payton, but Ricky, Sweetness you are not.

Watters has fumbled the ball 17 times in the last 34 games, and, as important as he is in the offense, those turnovers end up destroying the Eagles game plan.

When you take the run out of a system that doesn't have any long patterns, you're limited to three yard gains on tight end drags and curls. That's not going to win any games for you. Hire John Riggins or something to teach this guy how to run and carry the ball at the same time.

That should take care of the offense. On defense, the only glaring problem is the perpetual face guarding that goes on in the secondary. On at least two of Favre's TD passes, the Eagles coverage was perfect.

In fact, on one of them there was a double team, but our guys never turned around to see the ball, and we got burned. Especially when there's backup, the corners have got to turn and make a play.

With these changes in place, the Birds should easily handle Detroit this week. If they don't, then I'm sure I can catch a bandwagon heading in the direction of Pittsburgh.

SPORTS MAGAZINE

Ricky "Fumbling" Watters. Hold on to the ball? For who? For what?

Composite Schedule for Home Games

Sat. Sept. 14	Football vs.Delaware	1 p.m.
Sun. Sept. 15	Field Hockey vs. Pennsylvania	1 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 18	Field Hockey vs. Lafayette	7 p.m.

Little League field of dreams found at Baseball Hall of Fame

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

Every American kid should have the opportunity to play Little League Baseball. Here aspiring 11 and 12-year-olds can actually act their age in times in which it is often too hard for them to do. This is where they learn how to tag up on a fly ball, how to lay down a bunt and how to lay off of those high ones. In Little League kids form their first friendships and take home memories that will be forever etched in their heads.

I went through this American ritual. I learned all of the fundamentals of the game. And when my friends and I get together we still argue about who hit the most home runs. In my first year of Little League I was taught how to get along with my teammates, even the ones of whom I wasn't too fond. I quickly learned how to just walk away after one of those masked men behind the plate punched me out on a called strike three. I was taught by my first Little League coach, the stoic and famed Louis Presutti.

In contemporary society, however, something that is good ultimately becomes the source of much trouble. Today, Little League is fraught with the problem of winning at all costs, largely due to the parents of the players. Overbearing parents place so much pressure on their children to perform that these youngsters often balk at the idea of having fun on the diamond. Parents have taken the game away from the kids.

There still is a nostalgicplace where everything with baseball is right. Cooperstown, N.Y., home of the National Baseball Hall of Fame. With its small town ambiance, Cooperstown lends itself to the amity and enjoyment of the game. What better place to be the site of the newly constructed Cooperstown Dreams Park, Home of the American Youth Baseball Hall of Fame, founded by my very own Little League coach, Mr. Presutti?

"Cooperstown Dreams Park emulates the camaraderie in baseball as it was meant to be," said Presutti from his office in North Carolina. It is here where 11 and 12-year-old teams from across the nation can escape the poison that surrounds baseball today. It is here where the environment brings back the companionship that is supposed to be involved in this great game. It is here where baseball is again fun.

This July, 2,400 bright-eyed children came to Cooperstown to experience what one coach called "the experience of a lifetime." Teams from 32 states played the Game here for four weeks, with a tournament being held each week. There was one champion at the end of each week. Teams stayed in the 25 cabins that were constructed on the facility, all of them adorned by a blown up three foot tall baseball card of the Hall of Famer they were named after. The games were played on numerous fields constructed solely for the tournament.

These teams were the best at their level. Numerous outstanding performances were recorded, including two perfect games, seven game winning home runs (four grand slams), and two triple plays. One team recorded three shut outs in one day and one remarkable player had fifteen home runs in only 11 games.

After the tournament, every player and coach who participated was inducted into the American Youth Baseball Hall of Fame and received a Hall of Fame ring.

The response to this first year was overwhelming. The friendships, the memories and the unity that were produced at this magical place is what Little League baseball is all about. After all the games were over and it was time to go home, one coach said that his team and the parents "all looked at each other with tears in [their] eyes." Another coach said simply that the "entrance to the park brought me to tears."

After the tournament, Presutti received numerous letters of appreciation. Letters from parents and coaches thanking him for the opportunity to be a part of this unique and wonderful extravaganza. Next year more teams and more games will be added to include more players and coaches that want to be a part of this.

Cooperstown Dreams Park is truly a "dream." What could be more exciting for a 12-year-old than to play against kids from all over the country on fields that rival Fenway Park? What could be more of a dream to a 12-year-old than being inducted into the Hall of Fame and receiving a commemorative ring?

Cooperstown Dreams Park, however, is more than just about the rings and the countless records that were set. It is about the kids. The experiences they shared with one another and the friendships they formed by staying in the cabins is what will be brought home with them. They learned what I learned in Little League. They learned about life. All of this just from playing baseball. All of this started with a man who professed, "Life, like baseball, must be coached."

Women's tennis opens season with experienced squad

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
Staff Reporter

The women's tennis team began its two-month fall schedule this week. Under second-year Head Coach Bob Batman and Assistant Head Coach Steve Reiniger, the team expects to improve on its overall record from last year, 5-17. This year's team has a good outlook. Batman feels that with continued hard work and commitment, the team will improve mentally, physically and fundamentally.

Ideally, the team wants to improve on its overall performance. This, in turn, should produce a better record. However, there will be many keys to yielding a better record. Sophomore sensation Julie Bonner must duplicate or improve on her team high 17-7 record. Coach Batman envisions "her to be the team leader."

"We needed to gain more depth in the fourth, fifth and sixth spots this year," said Coach Batman.

He is looking to find this depth from among Christina Grasso (senior), Kara Main (senior), Katie O'Brien (freshman) and Kathryn Farrell (freshman). Main and Grasso are also the Co-Captains of this year's team. Grasso's season is up in the air, however. She is presently out with an injury and her return for the season is uncertain.

The roster also includes returning letter winners Dorothy Bellock, a sophomore coming off a notable 5-12 year, junior standouts Meg Daniels and Ashley Pagana and sophomore Gina Renzelli. With an influx of new talent, the already strong roster and the challenging Division I schedule, the Lady Wildcats look to have a promising season ahead of them.

The team is in West Virginia this weekend competing in a tournament. During the week they will travel to Delaware on Tuesday and West Chester on Thursday.

S P O R T S

Women's soccer starts Big East season with loss

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The women's soccer team (0-2, 0-1) played well last week, but unfortunately suffered two one-goal defeats, losing 1-0 to No. 25 James Madison in overtime and falling 2-1 to Big East foe Boston College.

The Cats opened their season at home on Sept. 4 against a James Madison team that held a national ranking, and the Cats showed that they belong with the better teams in the country.

The first half started slowly for the Cats, but this can be attributed to the fact that 'Nova only had a shortened exhibition game against an overmatched Fordham team to use as preparation.

"James Madison coming into play us had played UNC, No. 2 in the country or tied for No. 1 in the country, they played Penn State who is also a very prestigious team," said junior defender Beth McCaffery. "Basically, [the JMU game] was our first game and to step into a game at that level is hard to do."

Villanova quickly raised its level of play and started controlling the tempo of the game, winning balls off of goal kicks, throw-ins and goaltender punts. Both teams had chances to put the ball in the net, but errant shots and timely goaltending kept the game scoreless for all of regulation.

In the first half of the overtime, Villanova got the better of the play and came up with some outstanding scoring chances, but could not convert. The final 15 minutes of overtime was basically even and sophomore goaltender Jeanne Hennessy kept it that way for the Cats when she made a tremendous diving save on a direct kick at the 6:52 mark. Three minutes later, though, James Madison launched a hard left-footed shot headed for the upper right corner of the 'Nova net that Hennessy managed to get a hand on, but the tailing shot was so well placed that it deflected off of the post and in. The final minutes saw James Madison keep the ball away from Villanova and pull out the victory.

On Saturday, the Cats opened their Big East season with revenge on their minds as they took on a physical Boston College team that had knocked them off last year, 2-1, in Boston. Nine minutes into the game, Villanova took the lead 1-0 when forward Maura McGhee beat the BC goaltender one-on-one after receiving a pass from junior midfielder Molly Bushman. The lead was short-lived, though, as Boston College answered back 30 seconds later with a goal of its own. The game remained tied until the 14:45 mark of the second half when the Eagles found the net again. For the remainder of the game, the Wildcats could not manage to find the equalizing tally, despite a number of good scoring opportunities by freshman Kathleen Roman.

"[Roman] was just piling through people," said McCaffery, who had to watch from the sideline because of an injured calf. "[The ball] just wasn't going in the net."

The Wildcats are not worried about the 0-2 start, because they feel that they can be successful the rest of the Big East season by taking it one game at a time.

"We have a lot of individual talent," said co-captain Kara Stanislawczyk. "I think it's just going to take time to come together."

The Cats will look to gain confidence outside the conference as they head to Virginia today for a game against George Washington and another one tomorrow with Virginia.

George Washington is a team that the Wildcats should beat, but no game can be taken lightly in a sport that is often decided by one or two key plays. Virginia is currently the No. 8 team in the nation. This game should be an extremely tough assignment for Head Coach Chamberlain's squad, but if the Cats are able to convert their good scoring chances into goals, they are capable of pulling off the upset.

PHOTO BY AMY DRAKE

The women battled all the way, but dropped two tight matches to top-ranked teams.

Boxing fans are KO'd again

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

They say that a sucker is born every minute. There was somewhere between 1.2 and 1.3 million of them last Saturday night. That is the number of buys Showtime expected to get of its pay-per-view telecast of the Bruce Seldon/Mike Tyson fight. At a minimum of $39.95 per purchase, it is not even necessary to do the math in order to figure out the disgusting amount of money that was made off of that pathetic display.

I was one of the countless dupes that gathered to watch the spectacle that was about to unfold. No one really expected to see a good fight. The simple fact is that everyone is in awe of "Iron Mike," hoping to see one of best of all-time at the top of his game. No one could dismiss the possibility that he would crush his opponent by landing countless bombs in the first round, but the general consensus here was that this one would probably go a few rounds. Even if it didn't, we would have seen the best fighter in the world at his best for a few seconds.

It didn't happen. Tyson never had to go to work. Instead, what the world saw was Seldon flopping around on the canvas on his stomach like a beached whale. He did not crumple to the mat from a barrage unleashed by Tyson. It appeared that he was rarely hit at all. He was floored the second time by, at most, a glancing elbow to the top of the head on a punch where Tyson swung through. That was it for Seldon. The 9,464 in attendance screamed "fix." Certainly something was amiss.

Yes, Seldon was a 22-1 underdog. But he was also an alleged champion, holding the WBA belt at the time. A look at the tale of the tape reveals that he is even more of a physical specimen than Tyson, holding an advantage in height, weight, reach and virtually every other category.

Most importantly, he is supposed to be a professional boxer. Maybe you or I would have folded at the sight of Mike Tyson, but this is supposed to be Seldon's job. He was paid $5 million for his brief appearance. He was supposed to give the best boxer in the world his best effort.

If he went out and was soundly beaten by Tyson in one round then that would have been fine. He would have done all that he could. It is clear, however, that this is not what took place. Tyson didn't beat him, something else did. The question is what it was that made Seldon put on his brief theatrical performance.

Those who promoted the fight will tell you that it was fear. I beg to differ. Most Tyson opponents are overcome with nerves, but they still manage to put up some brief form of resistance, however futile it may be. Frank Bruno lasted three rounds. Even the infamous Peter McNeeley managed to land a few punches. He was trying to win. Seldon was not. He was going down in the first. The outcome was predetermined.

A handful of people made a lot of money Saturday night, and I was not one of them. We all knew boxing was a shady business, but I never realized just how bad it was until now. Its capital is the seediest of cities, Las Vegas. It is presided over by a man with a dark past, the eminent Don King. He of the eraser head started his career as a hustler in the 1960s. He fit the description more literally then, working as a numbers runner. It was during this time that he killed a man, but the charge was manslaughter and he served only four years. I'm all for second chances, but he's had more than his share. He's been the subject of three grand jury probes and a FBI sting. He went to trial in 1985 for tax evasion and again last year for a falsified wire transfer, to the tune of $350,000. This is the man who has ruled boxing for over 20 years. Virtually every big-time fight has his fingerprints on it. As King is fond of saying of his rise to the top, "only in America."

Regardless of whether you think that Seldon actually took a dive or not, the situation certainly warrants an investigation, but don't hold your breath. The powers that be don't want that. They all got paid. So, we will just have to sit back and take it, again.

So start saving your money for Tyson's Nov. 9 clash with Evander Holyfield. This is intriguing because Holyfield, who is not aligned with King, has integrity. Maybe he can provide Tyson with a challenge, maybe not. He will show us his best, regardless. It's just too bad that the fight is about five years too late and that Holyfield will bring his heart problem with him. He will have to risk his life in order to challenge the system.

The Villanovan's Athletes of the Week

Male
Brian Finneran
Football

Brian had 8 catches for 159 yards and one touchdown in the Wildcats' romp of UMass. It was the second week that he broke the 150-yard mark.

Female
Megan O'Brien
Volleyball

Megan compiled 75 kills, 10 aces and 92 digs in the team's first six games of the season. So far this season, the team has amassed a 3-3 record.

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Despite key losses, men's cross country looks to compete

By CHRIS MAIRS
Staff Reporter

This year's men's cross-country team is expected to be competitive once again, both in the always dominant Big East Conference and nationally. Coach John Marshall is expecting all he possibly can from his team this year. The team fared well in the conference last year, but it will be very difficult to mount a serious run at the title this year because of lack of experience. Their goal, however, is to win the conference title and then place well in the nationals.

This year's team is very young, but also very talented. They are led by fifth-year seniors Steve Mazur and Steve Howard. These two athletes will have to pick up where departed runners such as Ken Nason and Kevin Christiani left off. Howard is presently fighting off a serious foot injury, but he should return later in the season. This means that the leadership of Mazur will be counted on in the beginning of the season in order to get the other runners to perform better.

The rest of the crew includes junior Gabriel Soto, who transferred last year from Southwest Texas State, and sophomores Oisin Crowley, Coulby Dunn, Brock Butler and Rich Morris.

The new freshmen runners are Cory Smith, who was a 1995 Footlocker Cross Country Championship qualifier, and Scott Tantino, who is a local runner who placed eighth at the 1994 Pennsylvania State Cross-Country Championships. Tantino also won the 1600m at last year's State Outdoor Championships.

The freshmen are not usually counted on to score much because of the difficult transition from high school to big-time Division I competition, but if they mature fast enough, they will be counted on. Most of the scoring, Marshall hopes, will come from the upperclassmen running close together, since there is no real top runner on the team.

As they prepare for the season, they will have the Big East Championships as their goal. The meets early in the season will tell them where they will stand when the conference meet rolls around. The Big East meet will also get the team ready for the nationals in Arizona. The NCAA qualifying meet is also always a key time because the Wildcats are always there. If this team is going to be there and make any noise the they will need their youngsters to step up and their seniors to be well-prepared leaders.

S P O R T S

Cats pounce UMass in home opener

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

In 1991, a year which saw Villanova go 10-2 and capture the Yankee Conference title, the Wildcats beat Boston University 56-6 in the fifth week of the season. That would be the last time the Cats would score 50 points against an opponent until they took on the University of Massachusetts this past Saturday, whipping the Minutemen 50-14 in front of 6,207 fans at Villanova Stadium.

"This was a confidence builder," said Head Coach Andy Talley, holding what has become his trademark victory cigar. "We needed to come out and get a win here."

The Wildcats made sure of Talley's wish early, unleashing offensively on UMass, connecting for touchdowns on two of their first three possessions. From these first couple of offensive onslaughts, the Cats would cruise the rest of the way. By the end of the half they would have a comfortable 36-6 lead.

The duo of quarterback Clint Park and wideout Brian Finneran once again fueled 'Nova's fury. After having career perfofmances against Rutgers a week before, both players would come close to repeating their feats against the Minutemen.

Even though he sat out most of the second half with Villanova holding an insurmontable lead, Park was 11 of 21 with 153 yards and two touchdowns in the game. More importantly, Park threw only one interception against Massachusetts. It was evident early that Park, after throwing five picks against Rutgers a week earlier, had regained his confidence against UMass.

"My job in this offense is to sit back and take what they give me, not try to make too many things happen," said Park.

On the receiving end of many of Park's passes was All-America candidate Finneran, who collected 159 yards and one touchdown on eight catches. It was the second week in a row that the junior broke the 150 yard mark.

The running game was also effective for the Wildcats, as starting halfback Curtis Sifford gained 93 yards with two touchdowns on 18 carries before giving way to sophomore Todd Golemi in the second half. The productivity of the ground game gave 'Nova the balanced attack which kept the UMass defense on its heels.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter
VU--Sifford 4 run (Kiefer kick)
VU--Sifford 6 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)

Second Quarter
UM--Clark 44 pass from Catterton (kick failed)
VU--Bri Finneran 35 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU--Turner safety (blocked punt)
VU--Kiefer 46 field goal
VU--Kiefer 22 field goal
VU--Cowsette 1 run (Kiefer kick)

Third Quarter
UM--Brockington 38 run (Brockington run)
VU--Cowsette 18 pass from Boden (Kiefer kick)

Fourth Quarter
VU--Golemi 4 run (Kiefer kick)

"This team this year has done an excellent job of changing its look on the field," said Finneran. "We have an excellent running attack and an excellent passing attack."

The Wildcats would set the tone for victory early and often in the first half. On the second play from scrimmage, Park would complete a play-action pass to Brian Finneran cutting across the middle. Finneran then galloped up the sideline for a 56-yard gain. Park would complete two more passes during the five play, 84-yard, 1:02 opening drive, eventually setting up a 4-yard touchdown run by Sifford.

After the Minutemen muffed a punt which Villanova recovered on the UMass 49-yard line, the Wildcat offense would go the rest of way for another quick score. Sifford would tally his second TD off a 6-yard screen pass from Park, giving 'Nova a 14-0 lead.

"[UMass] made some first-game mistakes and hurt themselves and we capitalized on them," said Talley.

The Wildcats would score five more times before the half was through, collecting three touchdowns, a safety and two field goals, including a career-high 46-yard boot by Mark Kiefer.

With a 30-point lead heading into the locker room, the Cats had victory well within their grasp.

Not to be overlooked in the game was the defensive play of the Wildcats. Facing a Minutemen rushing offense that led all of I-AA last year, 'Nova allowed only 172 yards on 42 carries, holding All-America candidate running back Frank Alessio under 100 yards for the day.

Not only did the defense shut down the Minutemen, but it also was able to force some key turnovers. In UMass' opening drive, Wildcat safety Deon Jackson was able to jump on a fumble at 'Nova's 3-yard line, turning away what appeared to be an easy touchdown for UMass.

The defensive line, which kept pressure on quarterback Anthony Catterton with four sacks, also forced two turnovers, including an interception and 24-yard return by Nate McIntyre that would set up a Villanova field goal.

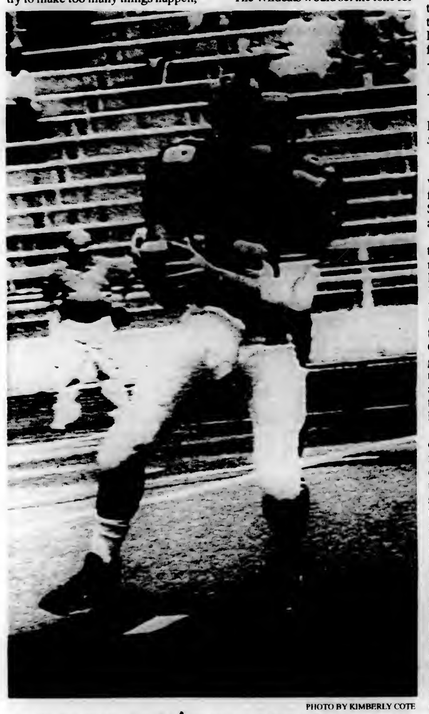
PHOTO BY KIMBERLY COTE

Running back Curtis Sifford collected 93 yards and two touchdowns against UMass, making up half of the balanced Wildcat offensive attack.

The Minutemen were able to muster just two scores against Villanova, one coming off a 44-yard pass from Catterton to Doug Clark in the second quarter and the other off a 38-yard run by Ron Brockington after the game was well out of reach.

With Villanova in command of the game by halftime, the only question unanswered when the Cats came out of the locker room was whether they could eclipse the 28-year-old team record of 63 points in a game. With most of the starters out, 50 would be all they could get. Fifty, however, would be more than enough for the win.

"This was a fairly complete game I think we played," concluded Talley, now with his victory cigar finally lit.



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Wildcat quarterback Clint Park has looked confident so far this season in leading the team's revised West Coast offense.

Men's soccer capture first win

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Wildcats captured their first victory of the season last Sunday, defeating Big East rival Seton Hall, 3-2. Starting its Big East competition with a win was a great boost for the team.

The Cats' offense was on the attack early in the contest, scoring 15 minutes into the first half on a penalty kick by senior Paul Miraglia. The Wildcats would not score again until the second half, scoring at the 55 and 67 minutes marks. Senior Co-Captain Jay Sommer and fellow senior Jon Correll each tallied one of these two goals. For the game, junior defenseman James Corcoran compiled two assists. The Wildcats would find themselves with a commanding 3-0 lead.

The Pirates, however, would not depart without leaving a trace of their footprints. For a moment, the Cats' defense was stumbling to regain control after Seton Hall's Frank Collado scored two goals to cut the Wildcats' lead to one. The Wildcat defense, on attack most of the game while keeping the Pirates from scoring in the first half, was able to regain composure late in the match to maintain the 3-2 victory. Corcoran had an outstanding performance on defense, doing everything that was needed to keep the opponent from scoring. Both Corcoran and senior Mike Paskey attacked the Pirates, especially in the last 20 minutes of the game, to ward off any Seton Hall scoring threats. For his efforts, Head Coach Larry Sullivan named Corcoran player of the game.

"Corcoran did things that he never did before, which was needed to be victorious," said Sullivan. "He attacked the opponent from all directions, especially in the second half."

Goalie Matt Westfall was also a major defensive force, saving 18 shots. In the last three games, Westfall has been stellar, collecting a total of 36 saves.

"[Westfall] had a great performance," said Sullivan.

Now that Villanova's record stands at 1-1-1, Coach Sullivan is looking to build his team by improving its ball movement and playing more skillful soccer instead of physical soccer.

"We want to take better care of the ball and play a little more soccer," said Sullivan.

The Cats' schedule this week includes two away contests, one on Sept. 14 at Syracuse and another at Providence on Sept. 20. The Wildcats will not return home until Sept. 25, when they take on UPenn. 'Nova will be looking to improve its record against all three of these tough opponents.

FILE PHOTO

The men's soccer team got off to a strong conference start by defeating Big East foe Seton Hall.

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Dole's speech attacks the 'bad boys'

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole unveiled his proposals for fighting crime during a speech in the University's Jake Nevin Field House on Monday.

The University distributed 1,350 tickets to students, faculty and staff, but about 20 of those with tickets were turned away at the door by the fire marshall because the Dole/Kemp campaign did not leave the full number of seats available for University use that it had promised, according to Randy Farmer, director of Student Development.

After a reception in the Severance Room that was attended by 13 Republican governors, vice presidential candidate Jack Kemp, Dole and some University administrators, the governors were introduced as they entered the field house.

The governors in attendance were Fife Symington of Arizona, Terry Branstad of Iowa, Bill Graves of Kansas, John Engler of Michigan, Steve Merrill of New Hampshire, George Pataki of New York, Christine Todd Whitman of New Jersey, George Voinovich of Ohio, Frank Keating of Oklahoma, Lincoln Almond of Rhode Island, Tommy Thompson of Wisconsin, Tom Ridge of Pennsylvania and Connecticut's John Rowland, a 1979 graduate of the University. Former Secretary of Education William Bennett also took part in the event.

Ridge opened the presentation as the host governor. "Thank you for that great Villanova welcome," he said. "It is our honor to host you on such an important day for Pennsylvanians and Americans."

In his introduction, Ridge described Dole as a man "whose commitment to fight crime is real, not rhetorical. America needs Bob Dole."

The governor continued by saying that no one is immune to the problem of crime in this country. "Criminals are stealing our freedoms. We have a right to live without fear." Ridge claimed that the current administration, under the leadership of President Bill Clinton, has done little to stem the rising tide of crime in America. "Presidential talk is no substitute for presidential action."

To support this claim, Ridge said that, during the past four years, drug use has risen in the U.S., while prosecutions for drug crimes have fallen since 1992. "The face of crime in America is the face of children . . . Our kids are the users, the predators and the victims. Democrats have ignored them, but America cannot; Bob Dole will not."

Ridge said Clinton's failure has forced governors to lead the fight against crime. "We need a crime fighting partner in Washington, D.C. We need Bob Dole and Jack Kemp."

Ridge then introduced Kemp who received a standing ovation. "It's nice to be here in the basketball capital of the United States," he said, but then added "I said the same thing at Georgetown."

Kemp, who is known primarily for his supply-side economic beliefs, said a strong economy cannot exist without a strong community, but, in his view, many communities are currently in a "crisis of despair" because of the lack of opportunities that exist in urban areas.

This dearth of opportunities is worsened by the rampant crime that is commonplace in these communities, according to Kemp. "A lot of politicians are all too often wrong in this debate about crime." He said that crime is not only the result of poverty, as Democrats suggest, nor does it come from a lack of punishment, as Republicans suggest, but instead from "wrong moral choices." What is needed is "the hope of opportunity with the certainty of punishment," he explained.

In conclusion, Kemp introduced Dole as the man necessary in this "war and battle for the hearts and minds of our young people."

PHOTO BY KIMBERLY COTE

Dole lays down the law against criminals in his address on campus Monday.

Dole opened his remarks saying his wife Elizabeth still talks about her experience as the 1991 commencement speaker at the University. He went on to describe her as one of the most talented people he knows. "In fact, she's so talented, Eleanor Roosevelt's trying to reach her," he said.

He opened the policy portion of his speech focusing on his plan to cut taxes. This plan calls for a 15 percent tax cut and a $500 per child tax credit for low and middle income families. "This is a Main Street tax cut, not a Wall Street tax cut," he said.

"The point here, and it's a point our opponents keep forgetting, is that it's your money. You shouldn't have to apologize for wanting to keep more of what you earn. The government should apologize for taking too much of it," said Dole.

Moving into his crime proposal, Dole said, "The program I am announcing today is to combat drugs and violent crime. Some may think these are two separate issues, drugs and violent crime. But the simple fact is that drug abuse, particularly among young people, leads to more criminal activity, and that criminal activity leads to violent crime."

Dole said the situation has only grown worse during the Clinton Administration whose policies on crime fighting he described as a "liberal living-laboratory of leniency." He continued saying that "the president talks about being tough on crime. But, as with so much else that his administration does, his actions tell a different story than his words. He talks like Dirty Harry but acts like Barney Fife."

Clinton has weakened crime fighting in the U.S. by appointing "liberal" judges who "have become notorious nationwide for bending the law in order to let criminals go free," according to Dole.

The war on drugs has also been abandoned by Clinton, said Dole. He said Clinton uses the strategy "speak loudly but carry a small stick or prob-

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PHOTO BY KIMBERLY COTE

Students welcome Dole and Kemp with waving flags and cheers.

Villanova still reigns as best in the region, says *US News*

By KELLY BLEVINS
Staff Reporter

Once again, the University was ranked number one among regional universities in the North in the 1996 edition of *US News and World Report's* Guide to Colleges. The school has achieved this standing every year the survey has been published except one.

Villanova's engineering program ranked 11th in the nation among universities that have separate engineering schools but do not offer a doctoral program in engineering.

The magazine collects data for its rankings through a 22-page survey which gathers information from the Enrollment Management Office, Admissions and the vice president for Academic Affairs. SAT scores and class rank of accepted students, the number of applications received, information on faculty education and salary, class size, tuition costs, aid given to students and the number of minority and international students are all measured by the survey.

Surveys such as the one used by *US News and World Reports* are often published by magazines and college guides. The Rev. William McGuire, O.S.A., dean of Enrollment Management, who is responsible for gathering much of the information for these questionnaires, said, "Of all the surveys we receive, this one has the most focused questions. It is lengthy and tedious, but the nature of the questions make it easy to understand."

Not only did the school receive the top overall ranking, it was also rated number one in academic reputation for regional schools.

According to McGuire, this standing is voted on by presidents and deans of admissions from the other regional universities and shows that Villanova is known as an outstanding school, which can be very important when students are looking for jobs.

While the University has a national recruiting base- students come from 48 out of the 50 states- it is not considered a national university because it does not have enough doctoral programs.

"Villanova is very focused on being an undergraduate teaching institute instead of a research facility, so we do not see ourselves becoming a national university," said McGuire.

The high rankings received by the school help to increase its visibility among potential students. While it may not be a deciding factor when choosing a college, McGuire said the numbers may be important to parents "so that they can be sure they are making a good investment with their money."

Other benefits of the survey are that it establishes the University as a quality academic institution and provides a positive reinforcement. "When you are recognized externally, it helps you to know that what you are doing is on the right track," said McGuire.

The magazine ranks national universities and liberal arts colleges, regional universities and colleges and professional schools. Other schools in the North region which received high ratings include Providence, Fairfield, Loyola of Maryland, Scranton and Rochester Institute of Technology.

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EDITORIALS

Patterson's fed up with voter apathy, but who really cares? Also, in the wake of the big Dole visit On the Marc explains why he knows more about campaigning than the paid professionals. He complains that not enough students got to see the speech, but he's really just bitter that he was too lazy to wake up and get tickets. Finally, Ann explains why she and Tori Spelling won't be hanging out anytime soon.

FEATURES

There's a new sheriff in town. Find out new judicial affairs big wig Tom DeMarco's positions on hooliganism. Check out the new weekly column by UNIT; it's some of the best fiction you'll find anywhere outside *The New Yorker*. What? No WXVU article this week? There must have been some sort of oversight, but we'll get to the bottom of it.

ENTERTAINMENT

Are the crowds at the SPIT, the new hot spot of choice for the Main Line's rich and famous, keeping you from getting a good meal? Well, too bad, because this week's Eating on the Main Line picked a crowded, over-priced deli (and it's not the Connelly Center). Also, surprise, surprise, surprise, the new Adam Sandler/Damon Wayans movie stinks.

SPORTS

The Cats kicked the crap out of Delaware on Saturday. Get all the details from crack sports reporter, Marc Angelaccio. The polls are out. *The Villanovan's* top scout has been checking out the competition in this year's intramural football, so see if your team of high school sports stars turned college losers rates among the best. Finally, Klick gets ready to watch the Giants/Jets game with his good friend Fire.

Events planned for Homecoming 1996

By BILL LAWRENCE
Staff Reporter

The beginning of this year's homecoming will be Nov. 1. Alumni and students can partake in activities through Nov.2, with the football game as the main draw. The Wildcats will face Rhode Island University at 1:00 p.m. in Villanova Stadium.

With over 15,000 alumni attending, homecoming is the second largest event on campus, next to Commencement. There is an array of activities for both young and old. Due to problems during the '92 homecoming, a special task force was created to better organize these activities. In order to accommodate most alumni, the task force has recognized that there are three different types of alumni.

For the most recent alumni, activities will be centered around seeing old classmates and friends that still attend the University. Activities for middle age alumni will focus on the family. With a variety of games and an over-all carnival like atmosphere, children can have a fun-filled day with their parents. For the older alumni, reunion with old friends will be the focus. The current student activities for homecoming are still being worked out. *The Villanovan* will update information on those plans.

Gary Olsen, assistant vice president for Alumni Affairs, said "The main objective of the task force was to diversify the activities, while at the same time keep them connected . . . That's the challenge."

At past homecomings, students and alumni gathered on the same field for the annual picnic. With alcoholic beverages being served, many problems were created. Some students drank too much and had to be rushed to the hospital. In an attempt to solve this problem, last year students were split from alumni, with the students on a non-alcoholic Austin field and the alumni on an alcohol-serving Sheehan beach.

"The two goals of the task force were to coordinate activities for all and organize alcohol consumption, with the alcohol part being more difficult," said Olsen. The non-alcoholic activities will be open to all.

Greeks implement BYOB policy

By COLLEEN CASEY
Staff Reporter

Risk management was the main focus on the weekend of Sept. 6-9 when the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council (Panhel) executive board members convened for a retreat at Fellowship Farm in Limerick, Pa.

Fraternity-sorority mixers called T.G.'s produce the number one risk management dilemma for the University's Greeks. The Interfraternity Council and the Panhel Board came up with a three step Risk Management Policy to alleviate the liability factor attached to T.G.'s. The three-step proposal includes: T.G.'s will prohibit kegs, men will no longer provide beer for the women and the Greek system will make a commitment to move toward a "bring your own beer" (B.Y.O.B.) policy.

Gary Bonas, director of Greek Affairs and Leadership Development, seemed pleased with the progress made at the retreat, however he said, "(IFC and Panhel) were reluctant to address the underage drinking issue." He also thinks the "abusive drinking behavior" of Villanova students is another issue that the students need to address.

When asked if he thinks this policy will make T.G.'s slowly die out, Mr. Bonas said,"The natural evolution of the T.G. as we now know it will go out of existence and other kinds of social events will evolve."

Becca Girsch, President of Kappa Kappa Gamma said the B.Y.O.B. policy "will take the focus off alcohol, which is what the administration and our nationals have wanted for a long time." She said, "Hopefully, we can plan more non-alcoholic events with Greeks."

Erin Neville, Panhellenic secretary said, "The first couple of T.G.'s are going to be difficult because it is a new situation, but hopefully members will understand that T.G.'s are not all about alcohol consumption. They are about meeting new people."

Patrick Giblin, President of Sigma Pi said, "We did not design the policy to save money for the fraternities. We implemented it to manage the risk that comes with having social functions. Now the sororities can share in the risk and responsibilities associated with having T.G.'s."

Career Week studies students' futures

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Assistant News Editor

The University is holding its 15th annual Career Week beginning Saturday, Sept. 21 and ending Thursday, Sept. 26. The goal is to get everyone at the University thinking about their career options and to help students prepare their resumes.

According to Kathy Bracken, assistant recruiting coordinator at the office of Career Planning and Placement, the different departments at the University will be holding a variety of functions throughout the week, proposing internships, graduate schools, study-abroad programs and anything else that will enhance the students' careers.

Over 63 organizations will be present to discuss opportunities within certain majors and departments, as well as offering interviewing tips. There will be counselors available to talk about degrees as well. The organizations come from all over the country including Philadelphia, New York, Chicago, New Jersey, Wisconsin and elsewhere.

Many of these offices have branches in other parts of the country and Bracken encourages students to offer their resumes so that they may be sent to different locations. The various colleges within the University will be having guest speakers, including alumni, to speak on job related issues.

This Saturday during Parents Weekend will be the beginning of the program. Parents will have the opportunity to speak about what their college major was and to which career it took them, as well as any significant steps along the way.

Bracken stated that this week will be for all undergraduates, graduates and alumni.

Bracken encourages all students to bring their resumes on Monday to "Resumania" which allows students to have their resumes critiqued and reviewed by people of different companies and University career counselors between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Career Week takes place twice each year--at the beginning of every fall and spring semester. The office of Career Planning and Placement works all year on this event.

Bracken commented that more seniors attend these functions simply because their career decisions are more immediate; however, underclassmen attend for internships and study abroad opportunities.

Bracken stated, "This is a great time to find out [opportunities] and ask questions, to find out what majors [the companies] are looking for." Basically each day is an informational day, Bracken said, "The more students talk with other people, the more they can make an educated decision [on their careers]."

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Colleges put vending contract under scrutiny

By MICHAEL LLEWELLYN
Staff Reporter

The PepsiCo corporation, manufacturer of Pepsi, 7-Up and Lipton, among many other food products, has encountered many protests on college campuses across the country.

While at one time praised for its stand against apartheid in South Africa, Pepsi has now encountered protests against its involvement in the country of Burma, which is under the control of a military dictatorship. As a partner in a substantial contract with Pepsi, Villanova's reaction to the refusal of Pepsi to divest from Burma is being anticipated by some students, as well as the national Free Burma movement.

The University has had a rather large advertising and vending contract with Pepsi for quite some time. Before the vending machines and cafeteria soda fountains were brought on campus, which was only about three years ago, the athletic department was involved with the corporation, as it posted its advertisements on the field and in the game day booklets. According to Kevin Brandenmeyer, Coordinator for Media Fulfillment of the Athletic Department, "Pepsi is a highly valued corporate sponsor. They've been with us since before Villanova was in the Big East."

Michael McGuckin, the production and marketing manager of Dining Services, controls the deals that the Universtity makes with food producers. When asked what Dining Services position on Pepsi's involvement in Burma was, he said "Dining Services' entered into the contract with Pepsi because we needed a large company whose service and maintenance was reliable." McGuckin went on to say that he had no knowledge of any of Pepsi's involvements in Burma.

There is currently an international movement to remove Burma's dictatorship, and allow the democratic party, which won an overwhelming victory in a 1990 election, to take control. For the past three decades, the Southeast Asian nation of Burma (officially known as Myanmar) has been under the control of a military dictatorship known as the State Law and Order Restoration Committee (SLORC). The non-violent democratic party has been kept down, and its leader, Aung San Suu Kyi, was placed under house arrest. She was released this year after international pressure. The prime objective of the international movement is to weaken the regime financially.

The SLORC's two major sources of capital are the heroin trade and foreign investment. Because dealing with the latter has proven more effective in weakening the regime, the Free Burma movement has focused mostly on boycotts, shareholder divestment, pushing sanction legislation through Congress and organizing demonstrations.

Many American companies have divested from Burma over the past 15 years, having done so of their own accord, or as a result of consumer pressure. These include Levi's, Coca-Cola, Calvin Klein and Liz Claiborne, among many others. There still remains in Burma several companies that have kept a fast hold on their investments in that nation. The three main corporations are Texaco, Unocal (an oil company) and Pepsi.

Brandenmeyer said that the athletic department has no comment as far as joining other campuses in having Pepsi removed from campus due to the size of the contract with Pepsi. According to McGuckin, any decision involving the termination of a contract with a company of this size would have to be made in conjunction with the athletic department, and the university administration itself.

PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN

While other universities have boycotted Pepsi, Villanova has a large vending contract with the soda company.

Dole and Kemp present action plan

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ably no stick at all. Another way of putting that might be campaign like a conservative; govern like a liberal."

Dole's own crime fighting strategy revolves around five points. First, he plans to cut teenage drug use by 50 percent during his first term. He plans to do this by having prosecutors push for tougher sentences in drug cases and by using the National Guard to keep drugs from entering the country.

Next, Dole intends to abolish parole for violent criminals. He also wants to hold juveniles fully responsible for crimes they commit. "What I'm offering is tough love against juvenile violence," he said.

The last two points involve putting prisoners to work, giving their wages to victims, and implementing accurate, nationwide systems to keep criminals from acquiring guns. His plan calls for the use of the National Instant Check System for all firearms purchases.

"Give me your help. Give me your support. Give me your vote. Join with me so that we can bring a new day, a better day to our nation for ourselves, our children and the generations yet to come," Dole concluded.

After the speech, the governors and Bennett held a press conference where they fielded questions from local and national correspondents. Most of the questions focused on the fact that, on the same day as Dole's crime speech, the Fraternal Order of Police officially endorsed Clinton's candidacy.

Ridge said the endorsement is misleading. He said, although the FOP's leadership endorsed Clinton, most police officers actually planned to vote for Dole. Whitman concurred saying, "I do not believe this endorsement from the leadership of the FOP represents the rank and file . . . At the end of the day, endorsements don't pull the lever, people do."

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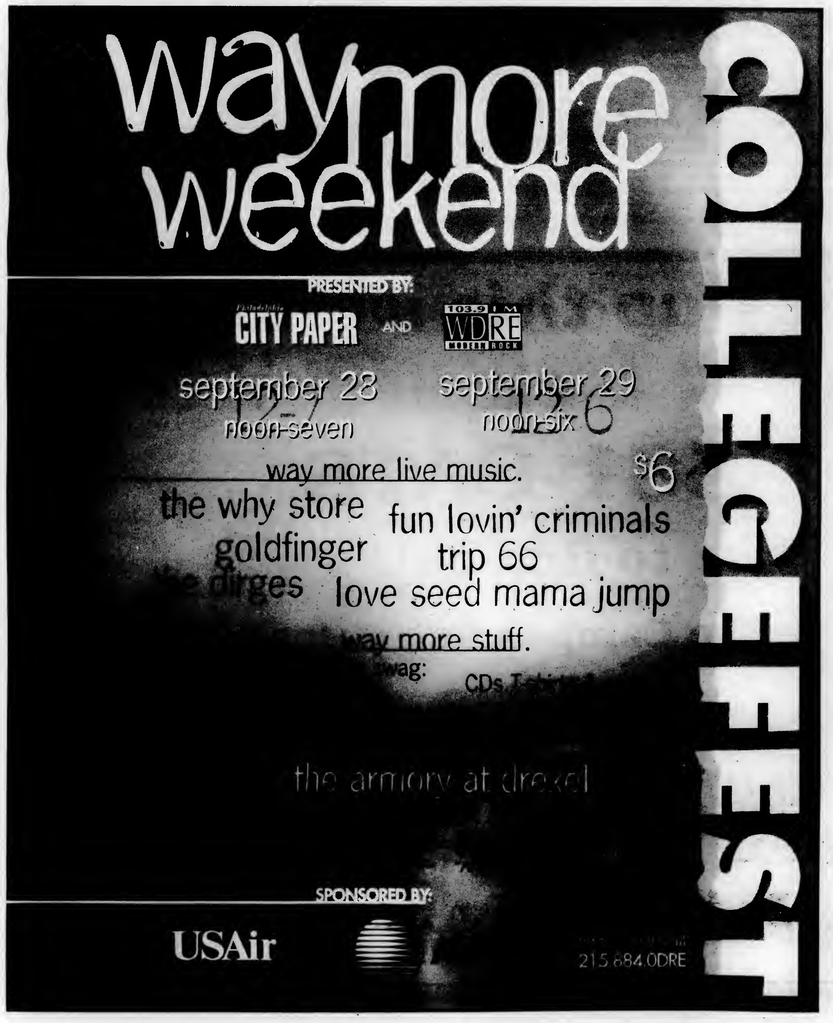

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Strong television and radio stations are needed to expand media outlets

We at *The Villanovan* kind of like the idea of being the primary media outlet on campus. That being said, we realize that the campus needs more.

Television and radio would both expand, if not diversify, the modes by which Villanova students could hear from one another. Not only could these forums discuss breaking news, they could also serve as student-based entertainment outlets.

Okay, maybe we do have a radio station. But it would be tough to convince those students in Sullivan and Sheehan who can't tune it in, or those in *The Villanovan* office directly down the hall from the station.

We need a more powerful signal, that much is obvious. And with a new signal, more people would listen and more people would get involved, necessarily pushing up the quality of broadcasting. Granted, most of the student population doesn't recognize the names of the bands on the WXVU Top Ten list. Nevertheless, various musical genres are played, and with greater student interest, the air play would begin to reflect the student body's tastes more.

As for television, a proposal is apparently underway. If given approval, a student organization will be formed to establish and operate the station.

Television would be an ideal way for various organizations to get the word out on their various activities. Up-to-date schedules as well as spotlights on major events could run continually. The non-revenue sports teams could have their games replayed during the day, thus giving the lesser known athletes a chance to shine.

Academically, a fully operational television station provides the perfect vehicle for communication arts students to gain valuable experience in their field. This alone goes a long way to justify the idea.

Obviously, all of this needs funding. Both of these venues could make their cases better if they could present some type of ambitious advertising campaign to offset some of the costs. The WXVU Sports Department was able to raise enough money to send its staff to cover football and basketball games last year. There's little reason why, if presented with quality programing and a larger audience, local advertisers wouldn't jump at the opportunity to peddle their wears to the Villanova community.

From the Administration's perspective, these new outlets would make the University look even more attractive to potential students. Furthermore, 'Nova's television and radio would be transmitted to the surrounding communities, further bridging the gap and strengthening the all-important community.

Plans for both of these media improvements are currently underway. WXVU's request to have a stronger signal is currently pending with the FCC, and a committee to plan the television station has been formed and will have its first meeting on Sept. 26 at 6 p.m. in the Bryn Mawr room of the Connelly Center. Even if the FCC grants approval and the TV meeting produces a strong proposal, funding will still be needed. In any event, they represent good investments for the University.

'Novan Poll

Should the University establish a televison station?

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L E T T E R S

Suspicion expressed about Villanova's alcohol survey

To the Editor:

There is no doubt that alcohol is a problem at Villanova, and, no matter what the circumstances, the University Task Force is a good idea, but I want to know the complete truth.. Being a Panhellenic delegate, I heard about this survey of alcohol use on campus last spring when the topic of deferred rush was being debated. Even then, with the limited information I received, I was very suspicious of the findings. I am not a statistical expert, by any means, but I have enough background to recognize that numbers have no meaning without proper labeling, and there is none with this survey.

The figures are extremely startling, but would they have the same effect if placed in the right context? I do not want to undermine the importance of addressing alcohol, from my own experience I know it is a problem, but understanding all the factors involved would help put this whole issue into perspective.

For instance, who was given this survey, possibly only freshmen or the whole student body? How was it distributed? (I sure do not remember getting a copy.) What was the exact date of the survey, the weekend after Homecoming or during finals, and what year? Was binge drinking even defined on the survey itself?

As Benjamin Disraeli, a British prime minister was reported to say, "There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies, and statistics." If we are to strive forward as a community united in fighting the war against alcohol abuse, I would be much more supportive knowing that the cause which got us involved in the first place is truly a valid one. Hence, when this survey is next addressed, the exact methods of data collection and measurement must be specified, for without this identification, the numbers are totally inaccurate and misleading.

Emily Moscato
Class of 1998

Editor's Note:
The survey results were obtained from a representative sample of 779 students, 50 percent of whom were male. Twenty-six percent were freshmen, 23 percent were sophomores, 22 percent were juniors and 29 percent were seniors. The survey was distributed in class so as to ensure full response. It was given during the 1995 Spring semester.

From the Alcohol Poll:

Drinking is excessive on Villanova's campus. Apparently it is above the national average. However, the problem is not caused by Villanova University or the Villanova community. The problem is the drinking age being at 21. The reason that binge drinking in college has gone up, is that local communities are severely cracking down on high school drinking. If children were raised knowing that drinking in moderation is okay, they would not have the need to experiment when they got to college. Most young people want to experience losing control. Local communities are not solving this danger by arresting high school kids. They are simply building levies along a flooding river. Eventually that levy will break, and no change in community will be able to do much about it.

Tom Hebner
Class of 1996

On-campus meal policies deemed unsatisfactory

To the Editor:

The first or second day I was on campus this year, I decided to have lunch at the Connelly Center with one of my friends. We went to the Belle Air Terrace, got our meals and went to pay. When we handed the cashier our Wildcards, she said they weren't accepting meal plans for lunch anymore. We were annoyed and ended up paying with points. A lot of students I have talked to can't understand why Connelly Center refuses to accept the meal plan anymore.

The hours that they *do* accept meal plan are absurd. On weekends, the meal plan hours for dinner are 3 - 4:30 p.m. I know many people who would call a meal at 3 p.m. a late lunch. If everyone uses meal plan, and came between those times, there is no way they could all be fed.

Another complaint I have heard from many students is that the Grill in Belle Air Terrace is not open as much as it was last year. Too often people go in to grab a cheese steak between classes only to find that all they can get is a lukewarm chicken patty sandwich that has been sitting under a heat lamp for hours. The line for the hero and sandwich bar is *always* a nightmare, and for all the people who come through Belle Air Terrace, they can only use meal plan if they come at a strategically set time.

For the amount of money that people's parents spend to send their kids here, we really need a system like the new Donahue Market. Belle Air Terrace should open at about 6:30 a.m. and close at about 11 p.m. The difference is that Belle Air Terrace should be constantly accepting meal plan. Simply *switch* meals at about 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Points and Wildcard are there to *supplement* meal plan, not *substitute* for it. The idea behind points is that if you eat at Connelly Center and your meal plan won't cover the cost of your meal, you have something to fall back on.

Robert Dumas
Class of 1999

Carelessness of library is alarming

To the Editor:

When I was using the scrap paper provided by the library to do research, I read the printed side of the paper out of curiosity. The library is actually using print-outs of the "Library List of All Students" as scrap paper. This list contains every student's Social Security number, followed by their college, class year, and full name. This carelessness on the part of the library can have intrusive and damaging results for Villanova students. I know that I don't want my Social Security number and name available to anyone using scrap paper at the library.

Jennifer Goldberg

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Columnist offers fresh look for Spelling series

By ANN GAVAGHAN

If you think I'm going to write about Bob Dole's visit to campus, you're wrong. It's not worth mentioning his hypocrisy in focusing on drug use when alcohol-related deaths, vandalism, and absenteeism are a much bigger problem, especially on this campus. (And let's face it--when someone's about to toke up, do you think Bob Dole's stern disapproval will stop them?

not just another load...

I think the fact that Bill Clinton, Newt Gingrich, and Tipper Gore all toked up is a much stronger deterrent. Who wants to be like them?) Nor do I particularly want to question why the Dole campaign chose to deliver their crime platform in an area not particularly plagued by crime. And while I could spend an entire column making fun of the LaRouche people, they're too easy a target. I would, however, like to inform people that while I was protesting outside the event, I was not protesting with the LaRouche people, but rather laughing at them.

I'm not going to write about Bob Dole simply because Bob Dole's visit to Villanova was not that big of a deal. Presidential races happen every four years. Candidates come, and candidates go, and some occasionally drop in to personally deliver their rhetoric. Bob Dole has already been to the Philadelphia area about a zillion times during this campaign. But last week, residents of the Delaware Valley had a chance to share the vision of a real icon, a man who has permanently imprinted his vision of a more beautiful world upon the American psyche.

Yes, Aaron Spelling, the creator of such eternal classics as the "Love Boat," "Beverly Hills 90210," "Melrose Place," "Charlie's Angels," "Savannah," "Dynasty," and Tori Spelling, sent his production company to Franklin Mills Mall last week. In his never-ending quest to find fresh new talent (since he's already used up everyone who's related to him), Spelling held an open casting call for his new NBC soap opera "Sunset Beach," looking for the best of Philadelphia's "attractive, dynamic, and physically fit" men and women between the ages of 18 to 25.

Seeing as how I fit the bill perfectly, I scurried on down to the mall on Saturday, figuring I was a shoe-in for the all-expense paid trip to Los Angeles for the screen test. Admittedly, relocating to Los Angeles would be a pain, but I'm willing to sacrifice a bit to help out Aaron Spelling.

The casting call itself went well. I met with one of the production assistants on the show. Looking me up and down, she commented, "Hon, you know the name of this show is Sunset Beach." I replied that I did. "Don't you think you're a little. . . well. . . pale for the beach?" I totally disagreed. It's sunset, isn't it? What kind of freak would be getting a tan when the sun is going down? Besides, I explained, Aaron Spelling's characters always have some hardship they are continually wrestling to overcome. Captain Steubing was a recovering alcoholic. Alexis Carrington had to deal with massive shoulder pads. Poor Dylan has those weird notches on his eyebrow, and Melrose Place's Amanda has some personality problems that keep her from having full, rewarding relationships with her neighbors, coworkers, or the human race. Couldn't I be the token albino, or the skin cancer victim? If those were too much of a downer, I could always be the tragic soul who failed to tan, and would have to slather herself with that fakey-looking orange tan-in-a-bottle goop. She told me she would have to bring up such character considerations with the writers. Being a writer myself, I understand completely. After all, what if you've already envisioned the character as a tall, blonde, beach bunny whose obsessive compulsive disorder forces her to wear nothing but a bathing suit day after day after day? (What a horrible existence that must be! Thank god there are programs like Baywatch that heighten our sensitivity about such diseases).

Anyway, the rest of the casting call was a cakewalk, aside from the sand I got inside my bathing suit. I'm sure I have a particularly good chance since every other woman there seemed to be about 5'10", with long blonde hair and a perfect size 4 figure. If Aaron Spelling is looking for something fresh and different, I'm certainly it. Besides, I believe Mr. Spelling knows that there are only so many models one can put in a soap opera before one's artistic integrity becomes questionable. I have personally always found him a man to put a good story before any prurient interests. For example, whenever there is a catfight on Melrose, we know it's for a good reason, not because the American public likes to see two women pulling each other's hair out.

Yes, indeed, if there is anything I've learned this week, it's that the generation that spawned Bob Dole and Aaron Spelling certainly does have its values. Aaron Spelling keeps producing quality shows that every family can watch together, while Bob Dole fights to keep the rest of the airwaves free of filth (so that the kids can watch the latest family-oriented Arnold Schwarzeneggar film, you know?) Personally, I think Dole should dump Kemp and run with Aaron Spelling, but that would mean Tori would probably become First Lady. But, as I said, we all make our sacrifices for America, don't we?

Cure for voter apathy can be found in the Constitution

By JOE PATTERSON

Bob Dole came to campus Monday to talk about crime. His speech in Jake Nevin allowed students to believe, at least for a couple of hours, that politics weren't some distant game played by detached rich folk. Much like the House Budget Committee last spring, the visit made politics seem, for the moment, less desperately out of touch.

Unfortunately, it's impossible for presidential candidates to visit all the college campuses across the country. Similarly, we can't expect Congress to pick up shop and conduct their hearings at various basketball arenas throughout America. That, of course, is why we have state and local governments. It is these institutions that are truly capable of bringing politics within reach.

The first reaction to the phrase "state and local governments" is a loud, collective yawn. The impression is that real power is in Washington, with local governments relegated to picking up trash and creating zoning regulations.

But it wasn't always that way. The federal government, thanks to some suspicious judicial interpretations by the Supreme Court, have usurped power from the states. Local power has been gutted and redirected.

Most issues involving crime, for example, should be left to the states. That's the way it was intended constitutionally, and we'd be better served to return to that principle. It is true that local governments can make a difference (George Pataki in New York, for example), but they're fighting the fight with one hand tied behind their backs. Excessive federal taxes have left local governments vying for the scraps that fall from the table, forcing states to rely on federal grants that often have stipulations attached.

American political theorists have warned against the pitfalls of a swollen central government for over 200 years. Current voter apathy is just a symptom of our surrender to the temptation of centralizing power. In fact, according to polling data, the imperious government begotten by social engineering is viewed as the "greatest threat" to the American dream.

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So what can be done?

The recent welfare overhaul is a start, but a single bill won't enact the dramatic reversal necessary for adherence to the 10th Amendment. The Republican's Contract with America of two years ago promised "devolution," the return of power to the states. Many of these proposals fizzled, though, thanks in part to a string of presidential vetoes.

What we are left with is an increasingly unresponsive government, and, accordingly, an unresponsive voting populace.

Of course, the virtual abandonment of the federalist system is not the only culprit. Part of the alienation comes from the choices we are presented with. Bill Clinton or Bob Dole? Clearly, these aren't the two most qualified people to run this nation. And Ross Perot? His "man of the people" mantra was made possible only after he earned billions of dollars. But as much as we want to blame structural problems for our political woes, we must ultimately look inward.

Through our voting trends, we have disallowed the emergence of leaders who truly elevate the level of public discourse. Instead, we employ the "gimme gimme" approach, fully expecting our leaders to govern with their fingers in the wind. Indeed, opinion polls, as flawed and fickle as they are, have become this generation's political creed.

We complain about negative campaigning, but it is precisely our reaction to this mudslinging that makes such attacks politically feasible. We complain that there is less respect for the presidency and yet we cheer when the president discusses his underwear on MTV. We complain that politicians are corrupt and then ignore an endless string of scandals.

Maybe some day we'll be as concerned about our local elections as we are about the national elections. Maybe some day we'll expect our leaders to be progressive rather than reactionary. But until that day, voters will continue to feel alienated from the system. And a visit by a presidential-hopeful won't change that reality.

Study hours leave 'Nova students without refuge

By JIM DeLANEY

To the University President, to the Dean of Students, to the Vice-President of Academic Affairs, to the SGA, to anyone who's listening, we need more places that are open to all night to study.

Villanova does a phenomenal job with practically everything it manages, but it is faced with space constraints for future expansion. This underlying reality is reflected in the availability of all-night study areas on campus. Even on South campus, where the most recent dorms should have the best facilities, the study lounges in McGuire, Caughlin, Katherine, and Monica are poorly lit by two dim lights and have too few chairs to accommodate a third of the floor at one time. At most there are two tables to seat eight, and often there are none. We would be hard pressed to find a better way of discouraging work after 12 p.m. when the library closes.

Bartley classrooms are open until 12 p.m. and are frequented by residents of Sullivan and Sheehan. This should be the plan for other parts of campus. Ideally, the closest set of classrooms should be accessible to students in a nearby dorm whenever they need them. The library is not for everyone, but the peace and quiet of an unused classroom usually is. Whether its alone on a paper because of a busy week or with a group to put together a project, we all need a quiet, well-lighted room to work late without disturbing our roommates. However, after 12 p.m. in Bartley, you are unceremoniously removed.

Tolentine has helped many with its classrooms open all night. But the more recent locking of classrooms with TV's and VCR's threatens our GPA. Just a minor problem: that leaves two classrooms on the second floor and two on the third floor for the entire on-campus population. This condition approaches its crisis, meltdown stage around mid-terms and finals.

Supposedly, two years ago, someone stole a VCR from a Tolentine classroom and thus the paranoid crackdown out of fear that someone will make a business out of stealing VCRs. Basically, shades of the old theory of a police state limiting personal freedom to move about are true here. How often can a TV or VCR, bolted to the wall as they are, be ripped out by thieves and paraded across campus to a dorm or car?

To allow the use of Tolentine's locked classrooms, it would take at most an extra public safety officer to babysit the building. The least it would require is more frequent patrols of the building. However, there is no reason for Bartley's classrooms, without any TV's, not to be open 24 hours.

A list of places to study should be compiled by the far removed, slow to react Student Government and placed in mailboxes each semester. With this available, no one will have to worry about the effect of the minus system on lower grades.

Our late-night study policy should be like the inscription on the Statue of Liberty but for weary students: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free... Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!" Open the golden doors of Tolentine and Bartley to homeless students.

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Dole missed opportunity to bridge generation gap

By MARC ANGELACCIO

Arriving on campus Monday morning, I couldn't help but notice the mayhem at the corner of Lancaster and Ithan Avenues. Just from the two hours it took me to park my car in Main Lot, I should have known something must be happening on campus. I thought to myself, What could it be? Did the basketball team finally win something? No, they're not even playing. Is there a frat party freshmen are waiting to be picked up for? No, that couldn't be it. It's Monday morning. I know. They must be giving away free eco mugs in Jake Nevin.

Then it dawned on me. Today was the day that Bob Dole, the robotic presidential candidate that MIT engineers designed to lull America to sleep, was supposed to speak on Villanova's campus. Yeah, that's right. He's supposed to announce some type of crime initiative today, something about prohibition, the guillotine and trial by ordeal, if I remembered correctly. Wow, I thought to myself. It would be really neat to hear him talk about that stuff. What a great way to start off the week.

Unfortunately, I was one of the thousands of Villanova students unable to get even a scalped ticket for the event. (Actually, I could have traded my parking permit for a ticket, but I decided that I should get the full-year's use of my $75.) Bob Dole made a stop on *my* campus, talked at *my* university, but *I* was unable to garner a ticket to see him. I couldn't even use my weight as a *Villanovan* political columnist to get one. Going would at least give me something to write about.

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Instead, I'm writing about not going. I'm writing about how both Villanova University and Bob Dole made a mistake by only allowing a certain, small number of students to listen to him speak.

It's not everyday that a huge political figure and presidential candidate comes to our school to speak. When it happens, it should be something in which the whole Villanova community can participate. As it turned out, only a select few—those receiving the information about ticket distribution in time and those who were able to stand in line before the 9 a.m. distribution on Friday—were able to participate.

Because of the limited number of seats in Jake Nevin Fieldhouse, only 1,300 students were allowed to listen to Dole speak. Even though having the rally in duPont Pavilion would have been a bad setting to announce a crime initiative, and the possibility of rain would have dampened an outside setting, by not allowing all students to take part in the festivities, Dole only further alicnated a group which, on the most part, he has trouble reaching.

What better way is there for Dole to make contact with a group that he has trouble making contact with than to talk to them? There's no doubt that the 70-something Dole has trouble relating to young people. For me, it's like trying to communicate with my grandfather: I talk about getting a job, and he talks about receiving an allowance. Things that are important to me are trivial to him. Not allowing me and others like me to hear him talk, however, doesn't bridge this communication gap. It only widens it.

After all, what is the most prevalent group on a university campus? Is not a university made up of mostly students? It would seem logical, then, that if a prominent speaker is giving a speech on campus, he or she would give it to those who inhabit it.

But that's not what happened. Villanova could have easily had it outside in the stadium or on Mendel Field. Who cares if it would have rained? I still would have gone to hear him speak. I don't care that Villanova was given short notice of his coming. When a presidential candidate comes to campus, you do everything possible to let all who want to hear him, hear him.

But we should just be lucky that a select few of us heard Dole speak. They weren't going to allow any students hear him, even though he was speaking at a *university*. They said letting students into the bleachers might ruin the acoustics in Jake Nevin. As it turned out, letting in those select few did ruin the acoustics. I, along with nearly 5,000 other students, couldn't hear a word he was saying.

Defense of Marriage Act raises faculty member's concern

By DANNE POLK

The great British/American philosopher Alfred North Whitehead once said that philosophical foresight is usually about 50 years ahead of its time. I take that to mean that there are "futural" horizons to any contemporary situation that are perhaps contained in the logics of that situation, and that these futural horizons can be highlighted by the philosophers of the day who critique that situation for the rest of us. So, being seriously interested in the logics of tribal systems, and extending those logics beyond the engines that perpetuate the daily sensibilities, preconceptions and hidden suppositions of the members of those systems, "the philosopher"-- and I'm not talking about a necessary affiliation with departments of philosophy -- is to be a type of visionary; not an occultist, but simply a careful, thoughtful investigator of the logics through which tribal subjects and tribal futures are produced.

It's easier to understand this prophetic aspect of philosophy (in feminisms, queer theories, gender theories, ethnic studies, eco studies, language studies, grassroots activisms, etc.) If we take a retrospective example. Let's consider slavery: we can look back from where we are and see the ethical transition we made by finally erasing the institution of slavery from our list of things we think are naturally *right*. That is to say, in the evolution of cultural history there came a time when it finally became obvious that the dominant tribe could no longer use the concept of nature as the norm from which to legalize marginalizing behavior (where slavery equals the denial of freedom, equality, autonomy, etc.). In other words, the arbitrary and compulsive inequality between tribes became so obvious that it was no longer possible to uphold the illusion that there was a natural right to reserve certain privileges for certain tribes, when all humans, if free, might take part in those privileges. It also became obvious that decisions to perpetuate the archaic designs of the dominant tribe were based on a general reluctance of the members of the tribe to give up certain privileges that only they (we?) were enjoying.

Finally, they had to face the future implications of a collective experience that considers as worthy the particular rights and customs of all its council members. Once exposed, sooner or later we came to see that the dominant tribe was refusing to recognize the fact that the reasons for justifying their tyrannies were based on a corrupt logic, never truly valid, nor ever possibly valid in a future context. These insights have become so well established that for most of us now, if a certain tribe would attempt to re-institute slavery, we would react in total amazement, immediately dismissing the claim as misdirected, patently archaic, full of blindness and instigated by the resurgence of an authoritarian conceit. It would be like watching people try to enforce laws that would reinstate the belief that the sun actually revolves around the earth.

Of course, this exposure and subsequent transition in the history of the dominant tribe didn't happen all by itself. It took the deconstructive foresight of certain people--visionaries who too often became martyrs--critiquing in various ways the ethical logics involved in the production of a particularly sinister historical predicament. That is to say, there were people with foresight who understood the inevitability of the abolition of slavery, and by subverting the logics of their day, helped draw the culture at large into a more inclusive future. Without the visionary insight, who knows how long it would have taken the rest of us to finally abandon the continuation of a corrupted, though highly seductive, chapter in the dominant cultural story?

Well, right now, this minute, I think I'm having one of those visionary moments. And, from where I'm standing, from this vantage point somewhere along the futural margins of philosophy, I'm looking back at the DoMA bill, the Defense of Marriage Act that was passed by Congress last week and is on its way to the President's desk as I write this. From here the DoMA bill looks like just one more misguided attempt by self-seeking members of an autocratic tribe to reinstate an archaic ideology ultimately corrupt in its authority to sign into law and act based upon an antiquated ontological position. I see the passing of this bill as a moment in our history where yet one more attempt will have been made to write certain tribes out of what is in reality just another anthropological category, which, rationally speaking, is a possibility available to all human tribes. To be more specific, in my vision I see the DoMA bill as simply an arrogant, illegitimate attempt by one tribe among may to claim exclusive rights to the privileges of legalized protection--tax breaks, health insurance, bedside privileges, job security, public acceptance, etc., and I see the rationalization of this act based on the false claim that the anthropological style of human bonding we call "marriage" is essentially an institution defined and prioritized by gender orientation, and therefore, belonging only to certain members of privileged tribes. What's more, looking back from the future, I see marriage as a trans-gendered, trans-cultural and trans-tribal condition to be understood in the most inclusive way possible, first and foremost as a meaningful or intimate enduring bond between people. I see no proof that marriage must be defined according to a compulsive functionality of body parts, or that gender maps are necessary for all conjugal bonding. And I see the injustice and impossibility of this demand since, in reality, men do sometimes bond with men and women with women, and that's not going to change. Yes, looking back rom the future, DoMA looks like and invalid, ethically illiterate doctrine, a moment of regression, a reversionary move, a devolution in direct opposition to the logics of difference. And someday (this is my philosopher's foresight) we'll all look back on this and be embarrassed. I just hope it doesn't take an entire generation and a slew of martyrs to help the rest of us come around.

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Recent legislation perpetuates marginalization

By KAREN GOULART

The U.S. Senate sent out an important message to its constituents on Sept. 10: discrimination is okay in its proper place. The bill that would have banned discrimination against homosexuals in the workplace was defeated by one vote in what was probably a technicality (Senator David Pryor, D-Ark., was absent from the session but was expected to vote in favor of it, creating a situation in which Vice President Al Gore would have most likely cast the tie-breaking "yes" vote).

The DoMA (Defense of Marriage Act) which is against the recognition of same sex marriages passed by an overwhelming 85-14, with the unanimous support of the Republican team. In essence, the message this sends out to Americans is, if you're gay, we're pretty sure we'll let you have security in a job you've committed yourself to some day, but we simply can't see letting you have security with a *person* you've committed yourself to. As we've been reminded of throughout our nation's history, the "American Dream" isn't for everyone.

The "American Reality" is that the DoMA bill is going to be signed by President Clinton, and the grand tradition of marginalization in this country is going to continue. Clinton claims he is standing up for traditional family values. I claim he's pandering to voters who are wobbling on the political fence. After all, there has yet to come into existence an actual definition of family values, and if you're going to define what marriage is, you should be able to define family values. I gather these values have something to do with denying people who truly love each other, and are perfectly capable of raising a family, the right to do so because they happen to truly love someone of the same sex. Americans, it seems, are overly concerned with the nebulous term "family values." We have some intrinsic, 20th century need to essentialize everything. Naming is a very big thing for us and if something doesn't fit our carefully designed, culturally narrow, American-ized definitions it's, well, wrong.

But this isn't just about love. This is about basic rights. When gay couples are not allowed to marry they are denied rights that are simply a given for heterosexual couples. Without legal recognition of their union, the gay couple doesn't get tax breaks, doesn't get joint health insurance and no matter how long the couple has been together they are never considered a part of each other's immediate family. Think about that for a second -- the one person you've dedicated your life to tragically falls ill and you want to be with him or her in the hospital in their final moments. Well, we're all real sorry, but you can't do that because your friendly state and federal lawmakers would prefer you to be heterosexual.

Some members of the gay and lesbian community will argue that marriage is an antiquated institution plagued with flaws and based on subordination. They see no real purpose in extending to homosexuals the right to enter into such a rotten institution. In short, it doesn't seem to them a worthy cause. I disagree. While the institution of marriage does have its problems, society is slowly changing its attitude toward women and, thus, toward marital roles. "Marriage" is in the midst of a transitional period. What better time to push for change?

As serious of an issue as this is, I can't help but find the humor in the overall situation. We have created some sort of American ideal of the Cleaver family smiling lovingly over their scrambled eggs and toast in the breakfast nook or Donna Reed seeing her brood off to school/work with their healthy brown bag lunches. That makes it difficult to face the fact that homosexuality exists and has a right to exist. If the biggest problem we have as a nation is the love between two people, we're a helluva lot better off than I thought.

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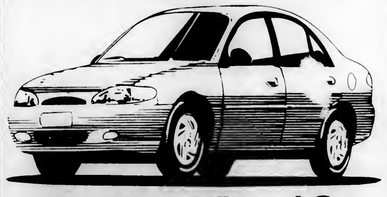

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Sept. 23

Bread for the World

Are you interested in doing something to end hunger? Come to a Bread for the World meeting on Monday, Sept. 23 from 6 - 7 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education. For more information contact Chrissy Faistl at x15201.

International Careers

As part of the special Careers Week sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement office, the office of International Studies will present a panel in the Haverford Room at 7 p.m. "Beginnings in International Careers" will be moderated by Dr. Michael M. Burke of the Department of History

This evening will include presentations by two graduates whose present careers were directly attributable to studies abroad and by two recently returned seniors who plan to investigate postgraduate careers utilizing their spring 1995 semester experiences overseas.

Sept. 24

Volunteer in Panama

Returning for a sixth year, there will be a Winter Break (Dec. 30 - Jan. 11) volunteer service trip to the very rural section of Wacuco, Panama for Engineers and students who are proficient in Spanish. Preparation meetings will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 8 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel...(this will also be the information meeting explaining the trip), Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 10, 8 - 10 p.m. St. Rita's Chapel. All meetings are REQUIRED in order to go on the trip. Sponsored by Villanova Volunteers of the Campus Ministry Office.

Study Abroad Night

The Office of International Studies will sponsor its annual fall Study Abroad Night at 7 p.m. in the Connelly Center Cinema. In addition to explaining the advantages of the study abroad experiences and the processes and procedures by which Villanova students arrange approval for their academic programs overseas, students recently returned to campus from studies abroad will be on hand to explain their choice of program and share their experiences with others considering including a semester or year in academic overseas programs.

Time Management

Need to get organized before fall break? Dr. Really will offer practical suggestions for better time management and study techniques in a brief workshop Tuesday, Sept. 24 from 3 p.m. - 3:50 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106 Coir Hall. The workshop is free and no sign-up is necessary.

Sept. 25

Poetry Reading

Borders Books and Villanova University will present the first open mic poetry reading at Borders Books and Music in Rosemont on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. All aspiring college writers are invited to read their poetry, prose or novel in progress. Come at 7 p.m. to sign up for a reading slot.

Dialogue on Welfare Reform

A panel of Villanova faculty will discuss the state of welfare in the United States today, and their views on welfare reform on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 7:30 in the Connelly Center Cinema. "A Dialogue on Welfare and Welfare Reform" will be presented by Women's Studies; students and all other interested members of the Villanova community are welcome to attend.

Hunger Awareness Week

The first meeting for Hunger Awareness Week committee members will take place Sept. 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the North Lounge of Dougherty. The meeting is open to those who attended the recruitment night as well as anyone else interested in working on a committee. If you have any questions or would like to help out but can't make the meeting, please call x15283.

Homepage Workshop

The Villanova Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) will hold a lab on how to create your own homepage on the Internet. This beginner's guide to HTML will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 8 p.m. in Tolentine 302. The entire University community is invited.

Youth Violence Lecture

Elijah Anderson, professor of social sciences at the University of Pennsylvania will give a lecture entitled, "The Social Context of Urban Youth Violence" on Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Connelly Center Cinema. This lecture is sponsored by the Center for Peace and Justice Education , the sociology department, Africana studies, Office of Multicultural Affairs, and the College of Commerce and Finance.

Sept. 27-29

Sea Isle City Retreat

This intro retreat will be held from Sept. 27 - 29. This is a first level retreat for new members to the retreat program held in Sea Isle City, New Jersey. It will include talks given by students and group discussions on such topics as self, god and others. Sign up in campus ministry or call 519-4080.

International Fest

Take your tastebuds on a trip around the world! Come to the International Food Fest on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the President's Lounge in Connelly Center. Experience Chinese, Korean, Indian, African-American, and Middle Eastern foods.

Oct. 2

Sacramental Preparation

The sacramental preparation process will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall, lower level, Room 4. All those who desire baptism, Eucharist, or confirmation in the catholic faith are invited to sign up now in the Campus Ministry office. Those curious to learn more about Catholicism are also welcome! Questions or concerns? Call Kathy Overturf, x 97978.

SNAP

There will be a SNAP meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 4:45 p.m. in the East Lounge of Dougherty Hall. Dr. Shartz-Hopko will discuss AIDS education.

Oct. 3

St. Augustine Lecture

A lecture entitled "History and Faith in Saint Augustine's 'De Trinitate'" will be given by Fr. Basil Studer, O.S.B. of Collegio Sant'Anselmo in Rome on Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center. This lecture is sponsored by Augustinian Studies; admission is free.

Darwin Lecture

Phi Beta Kappa and the departments of biology and honors invite the Villanova community to attend a lecture entitled "Darwin's Dilemma" given by Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, Dr. Darcy B. Kelley. The lecture will be held at 5 p.m. in Mendel 158. A reception will follow.

Oct. 4

Visiting Scholar

Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, Dr. Darcy B. Kelley will hold office hours in the Fedigan Room from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Dr. Kelley's primary research interests have to do with neuroscience. Any students interested in speaking with her privately are encouraged to attend. A pizza-soda reception will be held in Mendel 103 for all undergraduate students from noon - 1:30 p.m. The topic of discussion with Dr. Kelley is "What's It Like Being a Scientist." At 2:30 Dr. Kelley will give a lecture entitled "Generating the Male and Female Brains" in Mendel 158. A reception will follow.

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Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form. The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Attention Qualified Musicians

The Lower Merion Symphony invites Villanova's musicians to attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. They take place in the McShain Auditorium on Rosemont College. For information, call Elliot Levioff at (215) 473-9013.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

DSA

The Democratic Socialists of America will meet on Tuesdays at 8 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). DSA is a political organization which fights for social and economic equality for all.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries such as India, Africa, South and Central America. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. Thank you.

Writing Center

The Writing Center has opened its doors yet again! Make your appointments now! Office hours are Sunday through Thursday, 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Friday 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. We are located in 202 Old Falvey. If you have any questions or would like to make an appointment, please call x94604.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. These cards are essential to assure that names appear in Commencement Program and on diplomas exactly according to students' wishes. Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

All FYIs must be received by the Villanovan no later than 4 p.m. on Tuesday afternoon.

FYIs must be typed and contain a contact number.

Please make sure all dates are correct.

Celebrate 'Nova's Block Party Weekend

Thursday, September 26

God Street Wine

Opening Band: Rugby Road
Villanova Room, 9 p.m.
$5 Students, $8 Public
Tickets available in
214 Dougherty Hall,
Limited capacity!

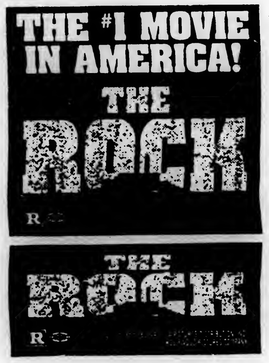
Thursday, September 26 & Friday, September 27

CBS College Tour

Connelly Plaza 9 a.m - 5 p.m.

The Rock

Connelly Center Cinema, 7&10 p.m.
Tickets available at the Cinema Box Office before each showing, $3.



Friday, September 27

Street Dance, Barbeque & Scavenger Hunt

Sheehan/Sullivan Quad
10 p.m. - 1 a.m.
FREE FOOD & MUSIC!!!

Saturday, September 28

Casino Night

Nightclub
8 p.m. - 12 a.m., $3
Craps, Black Jack, Roulette, Beat the Dealer, Red Dog, Caribbean Poker, Wheels, and Chuck a Luck! Win great prizes!!!!!

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F E A T U R E S

Residence life addresses recent black-out concerns

By SAMANTHA WATERS
Assistant Features Editor

Imagine living in a Villanova dormitory with only one phone line for every hallway and no accessible place to do laundry? Well, for some graduates, as recently as a couple of years ago, this situation was reality. But because of the hard work of Residence Life, in partnership with Facilities Management, Villanova's housing conditions have greatly improved and the entire campus has become a much more accommodating place to call home.

In particular, the "Quad" dorms, Sullivan and Sheehan Halls, which are homes to 800 students, mostly sophomores, every year, each building undergoes renovations to become more modernized. Both Sullivan Hall (1954) and Sheehan Hall (1957) were erected when Villanova was an all male university and, although built three years apart, their structures are fundamentally the same with some differences.

Noticeably, within the rooms, the furniture and dimensions are almost identical. Structurally, the two dorms look alike, but inside, their floor levels are completely altered; Sheehan's first floor located on the ground floor and Sullivan's being up a few stairs.

A much more recent variation between the two dorms is the windows. Besides the fact that Sullivan had completely new windows installed this summer, there is also the lack of bars on Sullivan Hall that are protecting Sheehan's ground floor rooms. "The bars were a maintenance decision five or seven years ago," said Dan Remley, assistant director of Residence Life. "They are not our preference, but had to be installed for security reasons. However, just like Sullivan, Sheehan is expected to get new windows this summer and security screens, like the ones placed in Fedigan and O'Dwyer Halls, will replace all bars."

With Sullivan and Sheehan Halls being the two most popular and largest dorms on campus, it can be very demanding for Residence Life to keep modernizing the two buildings and meet all the requests made by all residents.

More recently, the problem has been with the power supply to every room. "Every summer we address the power issue in both dorms and, luckily, Sullivan was able to be rewired two years ago," Remley continued, "and this summer, Austin and Corr Halls were first priorities because of similar blackouts that Sullivan was having. Now Sheehan is catching up with us," Remley commented, recognizing the prevailing losses of power throughout the entire building.

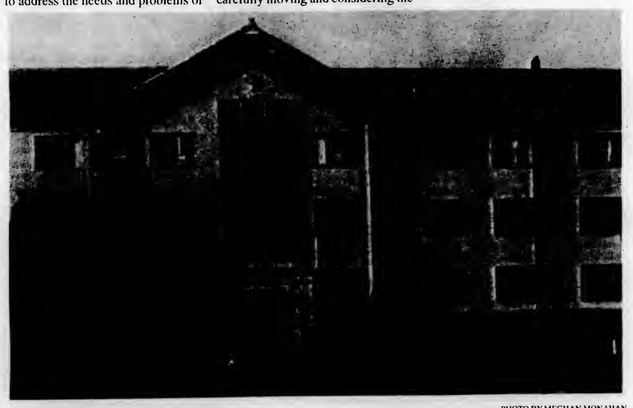
"These buildings, having been built in the 50s, do not have the ability to handle the capacity of all the computers, microwaves and hair dryers that students nowadays are bringing with them from home," said John Gallen, the executive director of Facilities Management. "Most of the recent blackouts have occurred between 9 and 11 p.m. when everyone utilizes power at the same time."

However, last week, a temporary fix was made so that power from Bartley is being redirected to Sheehan Hall and, hopefully, with this new source of energy, the situation will remain stable until the summer when the entire dorm will be rewired. "Since then, there have been occasional power outages, but nothing like what was happening earlier in the semester," he reported.

Both Facilities Management and Residence Life agree that each year, more and more students have appliances and computers that exceed the power capability of the buildings and the situations get consequently worse. "Sheehan just crept up on us, but I think that we are out of the woods now," Gallen commented, as well as recommended that all Sheehan residents be resourceful about their use of power and not have the fans going and the microwave and computer on.

"Right now, our key interests are to address the needs and problems of students, that being new windows and rewiring for Sheehan which is all scheduled to happen this summer," said Remley.

Finally, to set the record straight, Sullivan and Sheehan Halls have been and are single-sex dorms and will continue to be for the time being. "Yes, we are discussing the possibility of making both dorms co-ed, yet, we are carefully moving and considering the linkage with this matter to that of the 'Villanova Experience' that is taking place in St. Monica Hall among freshmen," Remley said. "We have strong concerns about roommate privacy and are currently investigating with other schools if we can do similar co-living arrangements and how we can go about handling it."



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The new and improved Sullivan Hall.

Karate club kicks into high gear

By JOE GULINO
Staff Reporter

Are you looking for a great way to get involved and learn valuable skills of self-defense? If so, you need to look no further than our Karate Club. If you want to begin the practice of this Japanese art or are a veteran, then this is the place for you.

The University's Karate Club is the longest running collegiate karate club in the country, and had its beginnings here more than 25 years ago.

The Karate Club is now lead by Jim Toolan, a local attorney and graduate of Villanova University and Villanova Law School. He was a member of the club during his days as a Wildcat and now returns to donate his time to instructing these eager students.

Sensei Toolan leads 12 other instructors. They teach entry-level classes for the interested novices. They also offer advanced classes for those who are striving to become experts at the art.

The club is an independent organization, but is run under the athletic department. The instructors are volunteers, and donate their time to the club. The club president is Jim Eaton, a senior chemistry major. He has been involved here since his freshman year and is currently a brown belt.

Your level of expertise is marked by the color of the belt that you wear around your *gye*. Beginners start by wearing a yellow belt. As they move up in skill, they wear different color belts. A black belt is the highest level that one can obtain in karate. A brown belt is one level below that. Eaton said that it takes about five years to obtain a black belt. He hopes to accomplish that next year, after his graduation.

The club consists mostly of beginners. Sensei Toolan and the other instructors are basically there to teach the new students. There are a number of veterans who participate in the club's biweekly sessions. These include alumni and some members of Sensei Toolan's law firm. Classes are held in the St. Mary's Hall Gymnasium on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The club is open to all members of the Villanova community, whether you are just beginning or have been practicing karate for many years. Although classes officially began on Sept. 3, it is still not too late to join. If you want to be a member of the club, contact Eaton at 239-7290.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

Members of the Karate Club practice twice a week at St. Mary's auditorium

Seminar for freshman athletes targets study skills

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

For the past four years, Dr. Ray Heitzmann has been assisting student athletes in their quest for both academic and athletic success. Heitzmann holds annual seminars for all freshman athletes, offering tips for problems ranging from note taking to time management. The seminar is mandatory for all freshman athletes.

The program began four years ago, but it was only presented to the football team during its academic day in the summer. However, it was soon expanded to every athletic team.

Senior Bridget Baxter, captain of the women's softball team, assisted Heitzmann during the presentation. He chose Baxter because "she's a great student and a great athlete--the whole package," he said.

During the hour long seminar, Heitzmann emphasized the importance of attentiveness in class, note-taking skills, mnemonic devises, test taking strategies and time management. "These are great suggestions and great hints that I've taken from books, lectures, [and] video tapes . . . I take the best and give it to them," he said. Heitzmann also passed out copies of "things to do" lists to get the students into the habit of recording assignments and appointments.

Baxter reiterated the significance of time management. "I think it's important for the freshmen just to let them know a lot of different tips that they might not be aware of," she said.

Heitzmann believes that the athletes are good students. "If we could enhance what they already do, we could raise them to the next level," Heitzmann continued, "and just get them thinking about how important it is to do well right from the get go."

Heitzmann sets high goals for the athletes, giving them something to strive for. "I want them to be All-Academic and All-Athletic Big East," he said.

Heitzmann, who can add director of the Graduate Teacher Education Program at Villanova to his impressive list of accomplishments, has dedicated his career to the education field. He has a special expertise in writing for publication, study skills development, marine and maritime studies, political cartoon interpretation, sports and athletics.

He believes that, "If the students could get two or three good ideas--where to sit in class, or never miss class, or how to use summer school as part of their program, or how to approach tests more logically and systematically--if they can take that away, that's a big plus."

F E A T U R E S

For Tom DeMarco, there is no place like Villanova

By NICKY VALLEE
Staff Reporter

In addition to the Class of 2000, there is another new face on Villanova's campus this year—well, sort of. On Aug. 26, the University welcomed home Tom DeMarco, the new assistant to the dean of students for judicial affairs, and a graduate of the class of 1989 and the University's law school in 1992.

While DeMarco was an undergraduate student at Villanova, he was a head resident and resident assistant for two years, and was also a resident assistant during his three years at the law school.

The main reason I came back was for the opportunity to continue teaching and to work with the students in a different capacity.

For the past four years, DeMarco has served as assistant district attorney for Delaware County in Media, Pa., in addition to teaching night classes in communications at both Villanova and Penn State's Delaware County campus.

"The main reason I came back was for the opportunity to continue teaching and to work with the students in a different capacity," DeMarco said. "I believe my experience from working in the D.A.'s office and dealing with so many different types of people has prepared me well for the task that lies ahead of me."

DeMarco said that this year can be a fun and productive experience for Villanova students, whom he has found "Respectful, cooperative, and willing to listen."

DeMarco believes that, overall, students should become more aware of University policies and the code of student conduct, but he "will try to be as consistent and as fair as possible," DeMarco said. "I think it's important to not just sanction students, but teach them that the consequences of their actions would probably have even greater ramifications outside of the university environment. With my legal background, I think I will be able to impress this upon them."

DeMarco, who is originally from Westchester County, N.Y., has prosecuted cases involving everything from drunk driving to murder. "After handling these types of situations, I believe I can deal with just about anything." DeMarco quipped.

As for giving advice to students, DeMarco said "Read the Blue Book. Know the policies and respect them. Most importantly, respect each other."

As for the administration at Villanova, DeMarco said, "The faculty and staff have been very helpful in getting me situated. Many of the professors that taught me are still here. I think that says a lot for the school." DeMarco also hopes to teach public speaking in the spring of 1997.

"Villanova's sense of community and its respect for others has always impressed me," DeMarco said. "I wouldn't have come back if these things were not stressed."

PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN

Tom DeMarco, the new assistant to the dean of students for judicial affairs, returns to Villanova with a new position.

Help is just a click away

By LLOYD MORGANSTEIN
Computing Site Coordinator

As the Internet and World Wide Web continue to evolve as a means of distributing information to the masses, many individuals, corporations, colleges, universities and others have taken advantage of the 'Information Superhighway' to provide help and support to their clientele.

Over the last year, support sites have popped up focusing on everything from molecular biology to care and feeding of Dalmatians to virus removal from hard drives.

In this arena, Villanova is no exception. Villanova has continued to develop and build upon its WWW site pages for several years and recently two new major sections have been added with the goal of providing computing help to the students and faculty.

The first web site, located on the Apollo server and soon to be mirrored (copied) onto the main Villanova web server, was developed over the summer by a group of computing site consultants in response to the many requests for information and aid that they receive at the public computing sites.

On this page (located at WWW.APOLLO.VILL.EDU/SITES), individuals may access a wide variety of information about the public computing sites located in Mendel, Bartley, and Tolentine Halls. This information includes items such as days and hours of operation, location (including a campus map), using the VAX and UNIX systems, software available on the servers and other valuable information regarding the public sites.

Recently, information focusing on logging into the new student server, registering your computer if you are connected in the dorms, using the new e-mail system, and a direct link to the web-based Villanova Interview Form (VIF) have been added.

Many of these help and FAQ (frequently asked questions) pages are highly detailed. Some, such as the e-mail FAQ, include screen shots to further aid users.

Additional services available on the Apollo server include downloadable software. Anti-virus, compression (Pkware - used for unzipping downloaded files), and Kermit are currently available with more expected soon. We are also working to provide forms for students and faculty to help with areas such as reporting computer problems in the sites, reserving labs for faculty or special projects, and other site-based services.

We are also working on many other FAQs and help files on software such as Word Perfect and Quattro Pro and on subjects such as "Finding What You Need on the Web" to help provide students with a good starting point for Web-based research projects.

A second web site containing helpful information and files for Villanova students and faculty is the Student Helpdesk Homepage (www.vill.edu/~helpdesk/homepage.htm). This page, developed by students from the UNIT Student Helpdesk, provides information on such areas as logging into the student server with Windows '95, dorm connectivity, Internet tools, and the student helpdesk e-zine, 'Nova Network News. Additional files, FAQs, and help related to dorm connectivity are also available throughout the site.

We invite the Villanova community to look at and comment on the sites mentioned above. The information contained within the pages is a direct result of student and faculty requests. We would also like to recommend that, should you find a particular section or FAQ helpful, let us know.

All files on the sites may be freely copied and distributed and all FAQs and articles may be printed for future reference.

One final note. As the Web sites are continually growing and changing to meet the needs of the Villanova community, updates are frequent, so check back often.

Students partner with Bread for the World to make childhood hunger a national priority

Bread for the World Press Release

College and university students nationwide are writing to their congressional candidates asking them to commit to help overcome childhood hunger in our country as a part of Bread for the World's Elect to End Childhood Hunger Campaign.

Bread for the World offers concerned citizens an opportunity to help overcome hunger and poverty worldwide through advocacy.

This year Bread for the World's Elect to End Childhood Hunger Campaign is aimed at making childhood hunger a significant issue in the 1996 Congressional elections. The campaign is endorsed by the National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness and the Campus Opportunity Outreach League.

As students join the letter-writing campaign, they can team up with other concerned citizens to help convince candidates that feeding the nation's children is imperative.

To enhance BFW's efforts, this fall it is organizing the Empty Spoon Project to encourage people to send empty spoons to their candidates. Villanova student, Giulia Campanaro, said, "This campaign allows those who want to help hungry children do so through effective lobbying of their representatives."

More than 13 million children under the age of 12 in the United States - more than one in four - face hunger or are at the risk of hunger. A greater proportion of children live in poverty in the United States than in most other industrial countries.

Despite growing hunger among children in our country, Congress passed welfare reform that cuts a total of $54.1 billion over six years from programs for people living in poverty. Large cuts are made from the food stamp program and aid for legal immigrants.

The bill creates a block grant of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), thereby eliminating the guarantee that poor people who meet previous eligibility requirements would receive the assistance.

"This richly blessed nation doesn't have to allow one in four American children to suffer hunger. But slashing or dismantling the national nutrition programs will make childhood hunger even more widespread," said Rev. David Beckmann, Bread for the World president.

Last spring, students of Villanova University wrote 220 letters to their congressional candidates about their concern for hungry children on the final day of their annual "Peace and Justice Week." The following weekend, the campus invited congressional candidates to a candidates' forum, urging them to remember hungry people during the election.

In Washington, D.C., Georgetown University students spent the final two days of their spring "Hunger Awareness Week" writing letters to their members of Congress. The week encouraged service and learning as students served sandwiches to homeless people and watched documentaries about hunger.

Columbia University students in New York received a letter from President Bill Clinton after their "Empty Plate Letter Writing Campaign." During their Hunger Awareness Week in fall 1996, students sent empty plates and letters to President Clinton asking him to veto the welfare reform bill. The President vetoed that version of welfare reform.

What Can You Do?

If you would like to get involved in the anti-hunger movement or enhance the good work that you are already doing on behalf of people who are hungry, take part in one or more of the following activities.

• **Write a letter.** Writing a letter to a congressional candidate takes no time at all. Just like a letter to a friend or family member, a letter to a candidate can be a casual, handwritten letter. Introduce yourself as someone who is concerned about people who are hungry. Letters should be addressed to all candidates - Republican, Democrat and Independent.

• **Host a candidate forum.** Invite your candidates to come to campus. Your campus is an important part of its congressional district and students' voices can have an impact.

• **Plan the Empty Spoon Project.** Invite all of campus to join in the effort to encourage congressional candidates to commit to help overcome childhood hunger. BFW has a new suggestion to emphasize the issue of childhood in the congressional campaign. Ask students to write a letter and send an empty spoon to their candidates. Glue a hunger statistic in the bowl of the spoon to remind candidates of the hunger millions of children in our country face.

How Can You Get Started?

All you need to do is call Bread for the World and request our letter-writing kit and campus guide. These tools will help you and your campus design an effective event that combines hunger education and advocacy.

Bread for the World (BFW) is a nationwide anti-hunger citizens' movement that seeks justice for the world's hungry people by lobbying our nation's decision makers. Contact Stephanie Seidel in campus organizing at (301) 608-2400 for further details about how your campus can speak out for hungry children in our country.

F E A T U R E S

Call to Renewal conference offers a politics of hope

By GEORGE PHILLIPS
Staff Reporter

Christians of various denominations from around the country met in Washington, D.C., last weekend to discuss the serious problems facing our nation at the Call to Renewal Conference. The group seeks to apply biblical values and faith to social and political problems.

Unlike the Christian Coalition, which has strong ties to the Republican Party and which was also holding its conference in Washington last weekend, Call to Renewal hopes to transcend the partisan politics of Right and Left, liberal and conservative, and get to the heart of the spiritual, moral and social crisis facing our nation.

The conference was led by Jim Wallis, editor of Sojourners magazine, who was honored by the Villanova Center for Peace and Justice last fall for his work in alleviating poverty and violence in the inner cities.

Topics discussed included poverty, racism, sexism, discrimination against homosexuals and abortion. At the forefront of the agenda was the Welfare Reform Bill.

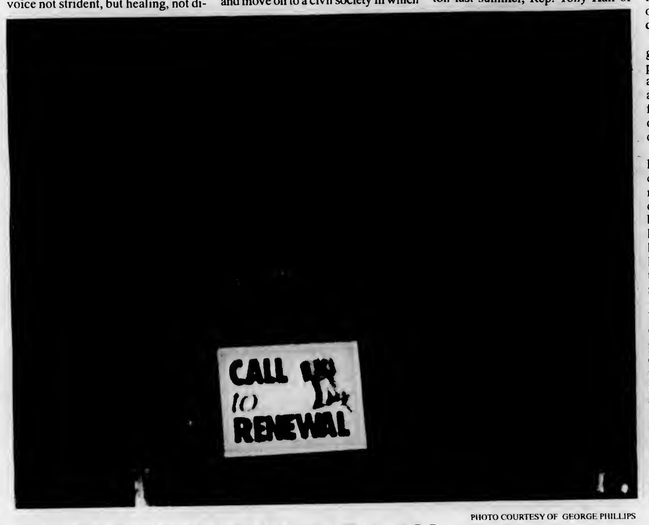
The conference saw the bill as being detrimental to millions of Americans, cutting off support to many helpless people, including children. Wallis said, "The best test of a nation's righteousness is how it treats its most vulnerable" and continually referred to the "whatever you do for the least of these" biblical passage.

He sent out a message that we must not abandon or blame the poor for society's problems and that Christians have a moral and religious obligation to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

The most prominent speaker at the conference was Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey. He spoke of the important role religion should play in society and praised Call to Renewal, saying that it is "about a need to have a voice not strident, but healing, not divisive, but that brings people together . . . that ennobles them with a set of ideals any person would admit."

Bradley also stated a desire to go beyond the "get-as-much-as-you- can-as-quick-as-you- can" market attitude and move on to a civil society in which we "give to another human being without the chance for reward."

Other prominent speakers included Marian Wright Edelman of the Children's Defense Fund, who led the Stand for Children rally in Washington last summer, Rep. Tony Hall of Ohio, and John Carr of the U.S. Catholic Conference.



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Sen. Bill Bradley spoke at the Call to Renewal conference in Washington, D.C.

Edelman spoke of the grave injustices children suffer, stating that a child has a one in four chance of being born poor in this country. She also talked about the tragedy or "civil war" our young are facing, as thousands are dieing from poverty and violence.

Hall spoke about morality in Congress and the need to make faith based political decisions. Recently, Hall led a campaign to include a pro life tolerance plank in the Democratic platform, and once staged a dramatic 22 day fast to protest Congress's cutting of the Committee for the Hungry.

Carr expressed the need for Catholics to participate in politics and the challenge of the Church to have a moral voice, speaking for those who cannot speak for themselves, without being associated with a particular political group. He said that Catholics have the obligation to, "protect human life and promote human dignity from the inception of life to its final moment."

The conference was attended by a Villanova delegation sponsored by the Center for Peace and Justice and Campus Ministry. "I'm glad this group exists as an alternative to the Christian Coalition, which I feel is too partisan, too biased, and not tolerant enough to truly represent Christians in the political arena," said Mike Lavanga, a junior political science major.

The Call to Renewal offered a vision of hope, sending out a message that Christians can unite, go beyond traditional partisan politics and have a strong influence on the political scene.

GIFT groups assist students in sharing faith

By GERRY GRZYWACZ
Staff Reporter

"The beauty of the program is how simple it is," said John Lozano of Campus Ministry in describing the GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) groups that he started two years ago.

The GIFT groups are essentially an "informal, relaxed way to look at your life with other students," said Lozano. He believes the program works well because the groups have such a simple concept.

These small gatherings of about seven to nine people are facilitated by students and last the length of the semester. Each group meets once a week in various places around such as dorms, Campus Ministry and Tolentine Hall. The meetings are one hour long.

Lozano first learned of these groups from the College of William and Mary which had a similar program. He liked the idea and decided to introduce the program to Villanova in 1994.

The groups are run by student leaders who facilitate discussion. GIFT Groups' main objective is for members to join together to share and progress in their faith. They listen to one another about how God is present in their lives. Each member offers their own experiences in the discussion. "Everything expressed in these groups is strictly confidential, "said Lozano.

Although these groups are essentially centered around God, Lozano said, "It is not all God talk in these groups. Members also discuss concerns they have in their lives." Lozano believes that as long as what the students talk about helps them in some way with their spirituality, it is worth it for them to talk about. He described the discussion as, "more from the heart, not from the head."

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Because these groups meet every week, a strong bond usually forms between the members of each group. Lozano said that students in these groups"get a sense of familiarity, trust for one another grows, and confidentiality helps to build friendship and support for each other."

In fact, Lozano said that about 80 percent of the students in the groups continue to meet for the entire year, instead of stopping after the first semester.

The group members come from diverse backgrounds. Not all of the students are Catholic as many might believe. These groups draw a large number of Protestant students, among others, said Lozano.

GIFT groups have been a definite success at Villanova. Now in its third year of existence, the size of the program has increased dramatically. When it started in 1994, the program had three groups. This fall, Campus Ministry boasts of 15 active GIFT Groups.

Any student interested in the GIFT Groups can call Campus Ministry at x94083.

Skating guidelines are a safety issue

By LAURIE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

Skating is off-limits in certain areas on Villanova's campus, according to guidelines issued by the University Safety Committee.

Specifically, skating is not allowed inside buildings, on certain outdoor surfaces such as tennis and basketball courts, or anywhere that may pose a hazard to pedestrians. The rules apply to skates, skateboards and rollerblades.

The guidelines, which were originally issued last spring, were designed to minimize the potential for danger to pedestrians as well as skaters themselves, according to Dr. Richard Neville, chair of the University Safety Committee.

Neville called it a "safety issue," saying that the committee received complaints of "the odd behavior of skating indoors," which prompted the guidelines.

"We don't want to restrict skating too much outside," said Arnelia Hollinger, director of environmental health and safety. "The guidelines are mainly to regulate inside."

Hollinger said that when the guidelines were released last spring, many students were not aware of them, since it was the end of the semester. Those students who did hear about the regulations expressed "concern for why and how the rules were developed. We want students to know that we didn't do this in isolation. We had student input," said Hollinger.

"The issue started from complaints from faculty about skating in buildings," said Hollinger. After several faculty members reported nearly colliding with students who were on skateboards in the halls, the University Safety Committee decided to take action.

The committee, which includes faculty, staff and student representatives, studied similar policies at other schools, notably West Chester University, said Hollinger. The West Chester guidelines were reviewed by several Villanova students before the University Safety Committee adopted them.

The rules prohibiting skating on the University's basketball and tennis courts were implemented to reduce the amount of wear and tear on the courts, since rollerblades and skateboards are "tough on special surfaces," said Neville.

According to Hollinger, the Safety Committee's guidelines will be enforced through the judicial process outlined in the Blue Book, as with any violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Public Safety will report violations of the guidelines, especially if some students seem to be repeat offenders.

Hollinger acknowledged that the large size of Villanova's campus makes it understandable for students to want to use skateboards or rollerblades to travel from one building to another. The new rules are intended mostly to reduce the number of incidents of skating inside.

"People just aren't prepared for someone to run into them inside," said Hollinger. "We want to lower the potential for accidents and fright."

Greek Briefs

ADPi would like to congratulate our sisters Victoria Godfrey, Alex Livermont, Amy Pugliano and Kate Sweeney. We hope your Diamond Days were filled with special memories. You worked real hard and we are proud of you. Thanks, Ro, for making these days great.

Hey Chi Os,let's thank Jen McHale and Sharee Pignatelli for putting together an unforgettable retreat this past weekend. Thank you to all the dedicated Chi O drivers as well. Finally, don't forget, Chi Os, this Saturday is the annual parents' weekend tailgate.

Kappa thanks Ali Godwin and Bill Janci for organizing a fantastic philanthropy for KKG and LXA. It was a huge success. Welcome Kappa moms and dads. Hope you have a great weekend at Villanova. See you at TKO on Saturday.

F E A T U R E S

Alphi Phi is honored with prestigious award

By TIFFANY BREGOVI
Staff Reporter

Dedication is a strong and necessary asset to any organization. The ladies of the Alpha Phi sorority know that as well as any other. Their deep involvement in the University and in the community has not gone unnoticed. The sorority was recently awarded Outstanding Chapter on a Large Greek Campus for 1994-1995.

The award was given at the National Alpha Phi convention by the past vice president of the International Chapter, Linda Root. President of the Villanova chapter Rae Obenski, accepter of the award, described the experience as "overwhelming." "They said so many wonderful things about our chapter," said Obenski.

Given for several reasons, the award honored the sorority's work toward their philanthropy, or charity event, which they chose to be heart research.

A major money raiser for Alpha Phi's philanthropy was the Fiesta Bowl, a flag football tournament. The event was a joint effort with the Sigma Pi Epsilon fraternity. The fraternity also joined Alpha Phi in donating assistance to the *Habitat for Humanity* organization, which builds homes for the poor.

Alpha Phi has also been involved with a domestic abuse shelter in the Delaware Valley. The sorority sponsored a barbeque for the Greek community at the University. The event was not a money raiser. Instead, admission was a hygiene product—anything from shampoo to aspirin to fancy smelling soaps. These items are a treat to women who receive donations that mainly consist of the basic necessities. "We wanted to give time, too . . . to make people feel good," said Obenski.

Plans for the barbeque were ruined with the arrival of rain. Despite the cancellation, response to the idea was immense. Alpha Phi donated several boxes of products to the shelter.

Another accomplishment credited to the Alpha Phi women is their involvement in the Adopt-a-Highway program. They routinely remove the litter from the section of Route 320 between Montgomery and Conestoga Roads.

The award was also given for the sorority's success in planning educational programs involving common social issues. Date rape and eating disorders were among the topics chosen.

The largest sorority on campus, Alpha Phi had the strongest rush ever in the past two years. This was another factor in their winning the prestigious award.

The award was a surprise for Alpha Phi. Part of a national organization established since 1872, the Villanova chapter was formed almost 10 years ago in 1987. The chapter is young compared to its competitors for the award. These chapters, such as Nebraska and UCLA, have been on the scene for 50 to 75 years. "It was an honor just to be nominated," said Obenski.

Nominated for six other awards, Alpha Phi was also awarded for outstanding campus involvement for 1994-1996. At the time of the reception of the award, an Alpha Phi member held the title of rush director and another was panhellenic president of the Greek community.

Both Obenski and marketing director, Kate Hess, site Gary Bonas, director of Greek affairs and leadership development, as having a tremendous effect on the sorority. "His support has been such a catalyst to our success," said Obenski. "He is really an asset to the Greek system. Villanova's lucky to have him."

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Alphi Phi delegates accepting the award: (from left) Jen DeLucia, Linda Massie, Rae Obenski and Megan Starace.

Major Trouble: *Students are nuts about psychology*

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

If you are having a problem deciding on a major and don't know if you prefer the arts or the sciences, psychology may just be the major for you.

"Psychology is viewed as a pretty good liberal arts major for different reasons," said Dr. Gerald Long, chair for the psychology department. "The psychology major has a straight-type of scientific courses, statistics, methods, and cognitive, and because of that employers are impressed that they think that psychology majors might have scientific sophistication, rigor of thought and the skepticism that the sciences attempt to foster."

About 40 percent of psychology majors go on to post-baccalaureate education in psychology and other related fields, in particular, law. A survey of graduating seniors indicates a diverse number of career options. Psychology majors have gone on to careers in occupational therapy, management, law, teachers, and social workers.

The psychology major has a good reputation on campus.

"It's a rigorous program," said Dr. Long. "We try to have a variety of electives because psychology is such a broad field and we need to give the students as compute of a picture as possible and we offer courses in many subfields like psychology of women, psychology of law, abnormal, developmental, and many more."

There are currently about 175 to 180 psychology majors, and the numbers have seen a steady increase over the years. In order to declare psychology as a major, a student must have received a C+ or higher in general psychology, or the student must have attained a cumulative GPA of a 3.0 or higher. Requirements for the major include general psychology, introductory statistics, research methods in psychology, physiological psychology, experimental perception, cognition and learning, a senior seminar, and at least three psychology electives.

"The psychology major has a good reputation on campus," said Dr. Long. "It's a rigorous program to target students for both graduate education and a good liberal arts education. Psychology is a popular elective among many students, and is a requirement for education and nursing majors."

Psychology enables students with the ability to express themselves well in written or oral forms, along with the ability of working well with numbers, which is seen as combining both an arts and science curriculum. Psychology classes are taken in sequence as part of a two-year major.

"With the breadth of the field of psychology," said Dr. Long, "we want to provide students with diverse courses so they might follow up on them and be prepared for whatever field they intend to pursue."

If interested in information about psychology as a major, the department of psychology is in Tolentine 334 and can be reached at x94720.

Cat sets the stage for three lectures

By CATHERINE LANGE
Staff Reporter

What do Tabitha Soren, Henry Rollins and Michael Luckman have in common? Well, they will all be speaking at Villanova this fall.

CAT is proud to announce that after many months, they have finally acquired three major speakers who will entertain Villanova's campus. With topics ranging from politics to UFO's, this fall's lectures are ones that you do not want to miss.

Last April, CAT team decided that Soren would be an excellent speaker to have regarding the upcoming election in November. With the presidential election only a few months away, it seems appropriate for Tabitha to come and help inform the students, faculty, and staff about the candidates and their issues.

Soren's affiliation with politics began in 1992, when she anchored the MTV's first presidential election. Besides her coverage of the campaign and her interview with President Clinton and Vice President Gore, she has taken a large portion of time to speak at colleges and universities.

One of Soren's greatest achievement's has been alerting the younger generation of the world that surrounds them. Soren's lecture titled "Politics, Generation X and the Election of 1996," will be held in the Villanova Room on Oct. 23 at 8 p.m.

The excitement does not end with Soren. On Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. in the Villanova Room, Rollins will provide us with an evening of spoken word. Best known as the former lead singer for the Rollins Band, he has turned the tables, providing entertainment in a fresh, new way. Spoken word is "part story telling, part social commentary and part spontaneous combustion," according to a spokes person for Vagabond Productions.

Rollins is popular on campuses all over the country, providing his audiences with hilarious anecdotes.

Additionally, in November, Michael Luckman, America's leading UFO expert, and director of the New York Center for UFO Research, will speak on campus. In his lecture on Nov. 7, Luckman will discuss proof that UFO's really exist. After providing us with exciting evidence that alien life forms are a reality, there will be a showing of *Independence Day* in the Connelly Center Cinema.

All of these exciting lecturers are chosen by the Ideas and Issues Committee, headed by Julie Horne, a Villanova student. Tom Mogan, assistant director of student development, provides CAT with assistance as needed. Mogan stressed that CAT is a student run organization. He said, "CAT has attempted to respond to the student's desire for more recognizable names," and he feels that this fall's lecturers provide Villanova's campus with great entertainment.

Admission is free for the Tabitha Soren lecture. Admission for both the Henry Rollins and the Michael Luckman lecture and viewing of *Independence Day* is $5.

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Henry Rollins is one of the three speakers CAT has arranged to speak on campus this semester.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Boris and Natasha
The top ten shows on the new campus T.V. station . . .

10. St. Monica's "Up All Night"
9. The Augustinian Dating Game
8. VEMS 911
7. The Fresh Prince of Belle Air Terrace
6. True Stories of the Bike Patrol
5. Dobbin's Def Comedy Jam
4. Stanford and Son
3. St. Thomas of Villanova Day Revisited
2. "Blah, Blah, Blah" with the SGA

and the No. 1 show on the new campus T.V. station . . .

1. Bonas and Butthead

FRATERNITY RUSH

Fraternity Rush starts on September 23rd at

7:00 in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center with the Rush Forum. The following day formal Rush begins. Here is a list of each fraternity and their first round meetings.

Tues.,Sept. 24
East Lounge, Dougherty
6:15-7:15: Sigma Nu
7:30-8:30: Sigma Phi Epsilon
8:45-9:45: Sigma Pi
10:00-11:00 Sigma Alpha Epsilon

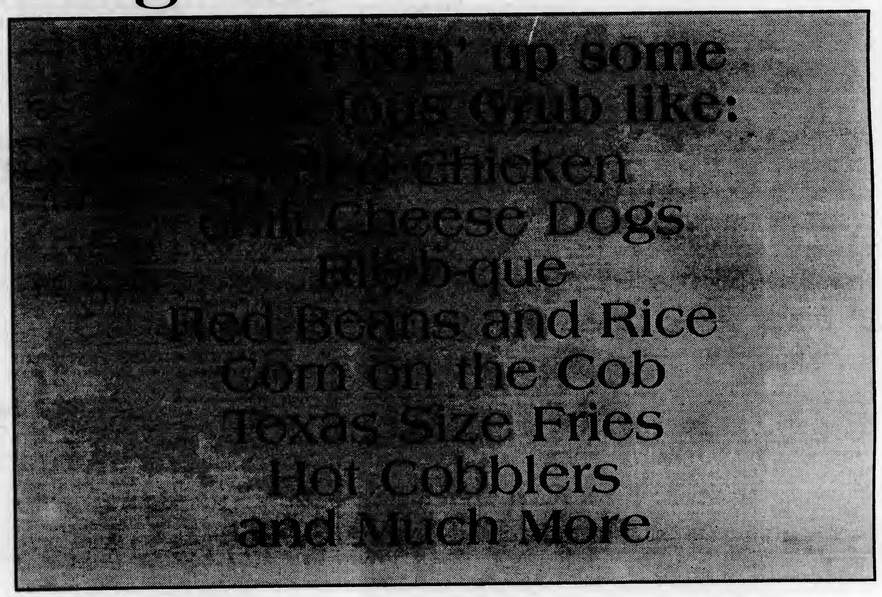
Weds.,Sept. 25
West Lounge, Dougherty
5:30-6:30: FIJI
7:00-8:00: Alpha Phi Delta
8:30-9:30: Beta Theta Pi
10:00-11:00: Pi Kappa Alpha

Thurs.,Sept. 26
North Lounge, Dougherty
5:30-6:30: Phi Sigma Kappa
7:00-8:00: Pi Kappa Phi
8:30-9:30: Zeta Psi
10:00-11:00: Lambda Chi Alpha

Fri.,Sept. 27
North Lounge, Dougherty
5:30-6:30: Tau Kappa Omega
7:00-8:00: Alpha Tau Omega

Yee-Ha! Howdy Partners!

On Friday, Sept. 27
Make sure you mosey on down to your favorite Dining Hall for Western Nite



Y'all come now, Ya hear!

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

R.E.M. defies musical laws with latest

By KAREN GOULART
Associate Editor

The cover of R.E.M.'s *New Adventures in Hi-Fi* consists of a beautiful black and white landscape taken in the daytime. It depicts a blur of fast forward motion with one dark, statioary hill in the center. Flip the CD over, and one will find a city-scape viewed from a lofty distance. There is a certain serenity in the tiny lights that dot the darkness. This is more than just cover art, this is a foreshadowing of the musical artistry that lies within; one moment free spirited, angry and rollicking and the next somber and contemplative.

R.E.M. is a band that defies the norm which dictates every band will hit a rut. *New Adventures* is the band's 13th outing and everything here is unquestionably fresh. Co-produced by Scott Litt, this first -ever live venture (recorded on the 1995 Monster tour everywherefromanAtlanta soundcheck to a Philadelphia dressing room) has been cleaned up enough to pass as the most pristine of studio albums yet still manages to harness the energy and emotion that exuded from the Monster tour.

The CD opens with the dejected wanderings of "How the West Was Won and Where it Got Us."

Unlike the explosive "What's the Frequency Kenneth?" that blew *Monster* wide open "How the West Was Won" is a decidedly tired, introspective piece. But just as "Kenneth" was a perfect introduction to the culture-questioning, openly sexual themes of *Monster*, "How the West Was Won" informs the listener about what lies ahead, "This story is a sad one told many times/ the story of my life in trying times" and this time Michael Stipe is not passing on his wisdom about the state of our collective past or present, he is musing about the past, present and future state of R.E.M.

As a band, R.E.M. has been notorious for successfully avoiding the usual trappings of fame in an industry that all but demands conformity to its whims. Despite their best intentions, fame has indeed ensnared the band in its sticky web, and in songs like "Bittersweet Me," "I'd sooner chew my leg off/Than be trapped in this," it is clear they want out. The idea of escape is more than just a theme for this CD, it is a mission. "The Wake Up Bomb," "Departure," "Leave" and "Low Desert" are all part of the plan.

Inevitably, this escape cannot come without familiar obstacles such as religion on "Undertow," the gorgeous "New Test Leper" and the previously much avoided topic of love and relationships on "Binky the Doormat," "So Fast, So Numb," and the heart-melting "Be Mine" which finds Stipe explaining: "I never thought of this as funny/ It means another world to me/ I wanna be your Easter Bunny/ I wanna be your Christmas tree." *New Adventures* also includes a great deal of musical exploration, mostly on the part of guitarist Peter Buck, but displayed by the whole band on the slippery, lounge-esque instrumental "Zither."

It seems ironic then, that the track we are left with at the end, "Electrolite," sounds more like the R.E.M. we have come to know over the past 16 years than any other track on the album. Back in place is Buck's jangly guitar, Mike Mills' warbly backing vocals, Bill Berry's tight drum work and Stipe's confident lyrics approached with vocal trepidation; gone are the sirens, organs and distortions.

Calm seems to have replaced the rage, they have reached the tranquil overlook and are taking in the dotted landscape; things are not so overwhelming from this vantage point, "20th century go to sleep.../I'm not scared/ I'm outta here." Have Stipe and the band found the will and way to move on from where they were while maintaining their hard fought for integrity, or is this their denouement? In either case they should find satisfaction in the fact that they have marked the musical landscape with yet another shimmering masterpiece.

R.E.M.'s *New Adventures in Hi-Fi* pleases old fans.

Spitfire Grill tugs at heart strings of movie goers

By NICKY VALLEE
Staff Reporter

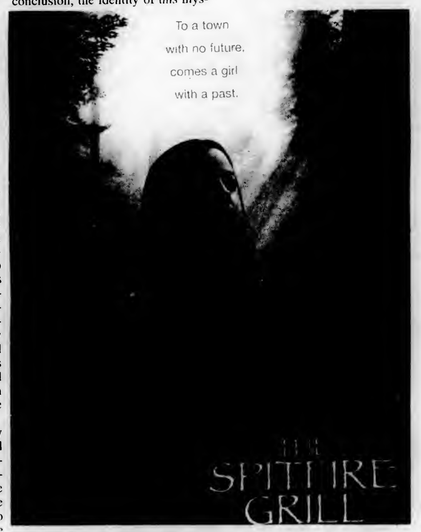
The Spitfire Grill, written and directed by Lee David Zlotoff, is a film about alienation, fear and a young girl's attempt to create a new world for herself after being released from a prison in upstate Maine. As the film begins, the viewer does not know why young Percy Talbot has been sent to prison, but the sincerity of the character (believably portrayed by the impressive Alison Elliott) is immediately apparent to the audience. After Percy is released from prison, she is given a job as a waitress at the Spitfire Grill in the town of Gilead, Maine, where besides serving food to customers, her main duty is to help the ailing Hannah (a wonderfully energetic Ellen Burstyn) tend to her home, which doubles as the Grill

At first, the people of the town are wary of Percy and gossip about her, but as the film progresses, she gradually wins them over with her sense of honesty and goodwill. Joe, a young man who befriends Percy when she arrives in town, is the girl's first link to the real world since her imprisonment, and the two quickly forge a deep friendship. However, Hannah's nephew Nam presents a major obstacle for Percy in her quest for acceptance, and his destructive self-absorption drastically affects not only Percy, but the entire town of Gilead as well. Nam's wife , Shelby, serves as a sounding board for the troubled Percy, and learns a painful lesson about self-respect from the girl in the process.

The Spitfire Grill is an aesthetically pleasing film, offering beautiful scenes of the lush vegetation, sprawling mountains and breathtaking waterfalls of upstate Maine. Nature serves as a major plot device in the film, as much of Percy's coming into being and self- evaluation takes place away from the town. Ironically, it is in this natural environment that the film reaches its climactic moments, and surroundings that were once protective and inspiring become unavoidably tragic.

The complexity of the film's plot is generated by one of its many subplots. After a bad fall, Hannah gives Percy a project that she can no longer attend to— placing a burlap sack of canned goods on the back porch each night. While Percy does not know who the sack is for, she performs the duty without question. At the film's conclusion, the identity of this mysterious person is revealed, and the knowledge has far-reaching effects on the entire town, especially Hannah.

Overall, *The Spitfire Grill* is an inspiring story about the determination and strength of the human spirit, with an ending that will tug at your heart strings while raising your spirits. It is a must see for anyone who has ever searched for a place to call their own. The film is currently showing in several area theaters. Check local listings for dates and times.



***The Spitfire Grill* is inspiring and captivating.**

Gwyneth Paltrow's cunning character shines in *Emma*

By LAURA MENARD
Staff Reporter

She has natural beauty, simple elegance, a popular new release and the heart of Brad Pitt. What more could Gwyneth Paltrow ask for? How about a presidential screening at the White House; oh, I forgot, she has had that too.

Gwyneth Paltrow has captured the hearts of audiences everywhere as the star in *Emma*. This romantic tale is filled with love, misunderstandings and a touch of comedy. Through the characters of Emma Woodhouse (Gwyneth Paltrow), Harriet Smith, (Toni Collette) and Mr. Knightly (Jeremy Northam), an 18th Century novel is brought to life.

Written and directed by Douglas McGrath, *Emma* is a breath of fresh air. This romantic comedy is a pleasant escape from the norms of everyday life.

Emma is the fourth version of a Jane Austen novel recently made into a film, following *Persuasion*,*Sense and Sensibility* and the TV variation of *Pride and Prejudice*. It looks as though Hollywood is on an Austen streak with some big-name leading ladies playing out the 18th Century role model. Gwyneth Paltrow shines in the role of a young 21 year-old matchmaker. Throughout the entire movie, Emma never stops searching for a love life that she can improve. She is forever trying to serve as cupid, but ultimately gets shot with her own arrow.

Her first victim is the poor and unexpecting Miss Smith. This less fortunate and less intelligent woman hangs onto every piece of foolish advice Miss Woodhouse dishes out. Even when Miss Smith is given a letter of proposal by the love of her life, a poor farmer boy, Emma finds fault in it, saying that it is not good enough because one of his sisters helped him write it.

Miss Smith, as trusting as she is, takes Emma's advice and turns down the proposal. Emma's next victim, whom she intends to fix up with Miss Smith, is the overbearing Rev. Elton (Alan Cumming). Unaffected by Miss Smith's simple nature, Rev. Elton falls madly in love with Emma instead of the pitiful Miss Smith.

While professing his love to Miss Woodhouse he states, "I never cared for Miss Smith, except as your friend." It is now that Emma becomes frantic, for she still has yet to find a match for her counterpart, Miss Smith. Readers should not worry, though, because the head-strong Emma tries yet again, and fails once more to match Miss Smith with a gentleman.

Through Emma's self employed dating service there are two men in her life, her father, who she loves dearly, and Mr. Knight, who is practically her brother (but who she unconsciously loves too). These two gentleman warn her of the dangers of her trade, but she continues to edge on Miss Smith to pursue the man of her choice. It is onlywhenHarriet chooses the wrong man, Emma's man, does Emma realize that she has been tugging at the wrong heart strings.

All Emma must do now is wait and let Mr. Knightly decide who he loves the most or at all. As all of us Austen scholars know, there is always a happy ending to these 18th Century romances, so all you have to do is go, and see who ends up happy.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

The Queers broaden the realm of punk rock

By ANN GAVAGHAN
Staff Reporter

Is punk rock big enough to encompass mellowness and mayhem? Can one band produce both silly love songs and anthems of rebellion? What about if that band's previous releases contain such titles as "This Place Sucks,""Next Stop Rehab," and "Love Songs for the Retarded?"If the band is the Queers, the answer to all of these questions is a resounding "YEAH!" On their latest album, *Don't Back Down* (which contains a cover of the Beach Boys song of the same title) the Queers move fluidly from snottiness to sensitivity, all the while delivering eminently catchy poppunk tunes.

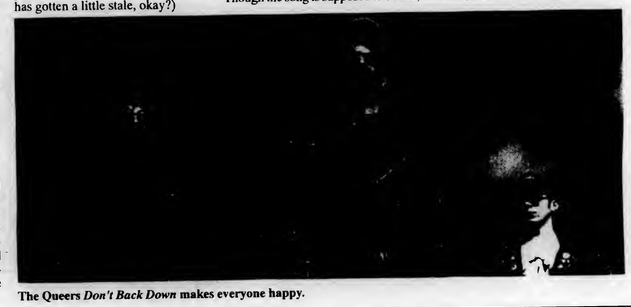
When I saw that the first song was titled, "No Tit," I groaned in anticipation of a twisted, breast-oriented version of "Baby's Got Back." Instead, I found myself gleefully singing along to such lyrics as "It's no matter big or small...Your sexist chatter bores us all....I love my girl and she loves me." The Queers then continue their strong, pro-women stance with the song,

"Punk Rock Girls" extols the virtues of the supremely cool punk female. Needless to say, this song made my day. I can only hope it makes enough of a mainstream splash so that the public will have something other than the Dead Milkmen's "Punk Rock Girl" to sing to me. (Hey—I like the Dead Milkmen as much as the next person, but being serenaded with them has gotten a little stale, okay?)

In addition to these rocking songs about ladies, the Queers also slow it down with a few ballads ("Number One," "Janelle", "Sidewalk Surfer Girl"), with sap-happy lyrics. The best ballad on the album, however, is "I Can't Get Over You," which features the vocals of Lisa Marr of Cub. It's definitely a cuddlecore classic. Though the song is supposed to be sad, I find myself singing it with a bounce in my step and a smile on my face. It's a good remedy for people trying to get over a recent breakup.

But in case their diehard fans think that the Queers have gotten too soft, there are enough vitriol laden tracks to satisfy even the most macho leather jacket clad punk. While Joe King may be singing, "I'm just a punk rocker in love!" elsewhere on the album, songs like "I'm Okay, You're F***ed," "I Only Drink Bud", and "Brush Your Teeth," harness the angry energy of pathetic losers. The Queers have even re-recorded their anti relationship anthem, "Love Love Love" for this album—and it's faster and snottier than the original. My favorite song on the entire record is one entitled, "Born To Do Dishes,"which was originally recorded for Dishwasher magazine's Music To Wash Dishes By Vol. 1. It's a comfort to anyone who is proud to be in a "dead-end job." As the Queers sing, "the heat, the slime, I've never been on time/I'm soaking wet, I'll never save a dime/Born to do dishes...and my mom's really bummed out."

So even if you think you are incapable of saving money, at least try to scrape together a few pennies to buy *Don't Back Down*. It's got something for everyone—the happy, the lovesick, the miserable and the pissed-off. In addition, it's the catchiest pop-punk heard since the Queers released their last album. If you are not bouncing up and down by the end of this album, you need electroshock therapy to bring you back to life.


The Queers *Don't Back Down* makes everyone happy.

Pearl Jam's *No Code* departs from previous endeavors

By CHRISTOPHER BEATTY
Staff Reporter

If you were lucky enough to get tickets to a Pearl Jam concert this year, it was most likely due to one of two reasons: either God owed you a favor or you can dial a telephone faster than ninety-nine percent of the population.

In keeping with their ongoing conflict with Ticketmaster, the allegedly monopolistic ticket agency, Pearl Jam decided to offer tickets to their fall tour dates only over the telephone, via an alternative ticket agency.

Regardless of the size of the venue which they were playing, tickets for every show, offered to date, have sold out within a matter of minutes.

This mass union of people with their telephones is due in no small part to the release of *No Code*, the band's fourth album, and their first release since 1994's *Vitalogy*. Released to almost as much critical acclaim as there was fanfare preceding it, *No Code* instantly became a hit with both critics and fans.

However, this quintet from Seattle is no stranger to large-scale success. Ever since their 1991 debut, *Ten*, Pearl Jam has become one of the most influential bands on the alternative music scene, and *No Code* only serves to solidify their status.

In the what has become a tradition among Pearl Jam albums, *No Code* is a departure from their previous offerings, and it comes neatly packaged in the awkward CD case that just doesn't fit into any CD rack. The record is not a rough, unrefined burst of energy, like *Ten* or *Vs.*, and it is not an introspective meditation, like *Vitalogy*. Instead, it is a combination of both and an uneasy combination to say the least.

The vast majority of the songs on the album are mid-tempo, progressive rock songs, broken up by a variety of high-energy anthems and brooding melodies; this prevents the mellow theme of the album from becoming melodramatic.

The collaboration of Eddie Vedder, the lead singer and songwriter of Pearl Jam, with eastern musical transcendentalist Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan, as well as the band' s collaboration with Neil Young on last year's *Mirror Ball*, have had an influential role in the evolution of Pearl Jam' s music.

The infusion of the spiritual elements brought to the group by Vedder, combined with the southern blues rock of Neil Young, gives the album a sound with much more depth than any of their previous releases. In this way, the group does not betray its alternative rock roots.

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Returning to the traditional Pearl Jam stomping grounds, Eddie Vedder dredges up the more tortured aspects of existence as the focus of his lyrics. He revives his introverted character studies in "Off He Goes" and "In My Tree," while inviting everyone to explore his own character, begging "I'm open...come in," in the track "I'm Open."

He also probes the painful aspects of strained relationships in "Hail, Hail" and "Smile," set against backdrops of blistering guitar chords and blues rock inspired riffs ala Neil Young. The two songs form an odd duo, the first examining a relationship that has gone bad, and the second expressing the regret of a failed relationship.

The influences of Neil Young surface yet again on "Red Mosquito" and "Mankind," while "Who You Are" and "Present Tense" exhibit a more eastern vibe; however, listeners should not worry, the Pearl Jam you know and love hasn't disappeared completely. All sixty-two seconds of "Lukin" (most likely a nod to the lead singer of The Screaming Trees) scorch with Eddie Vedder's voice becoming as discernable as the guitars which ignite behind him.(Many listeners may recognize "Lukin" as being strikingly similar to "100 Pace," a song previously only available on imports). "Around the Bend" forms a fitting conclusion to an anomalous album, for it is itself an anomaly in its optimism.

The piano and acoustic guitars in "Around the Bend" contrast the whole of the album, but bring it full circle through Vedder's chorus, "There's a sun around the bend."

Eddie Vedder has frequently been asked to interpret his highly introspective and often cryptic lyrics. However, he has always refused, explaining that every person who hears his music becomes a "part-owner" of his work. As the title suggests, *No Code* contains no puzzling lyrics. In fact, Eddie Vedder himself says in "Sometimes," "sometimes I speak of nothing at all," and further explains in "Hail, Hail" that "I don't want to think/I want to feel." *No Code* is more like a cipher than an riddle.

However, the question still remains, "Should I buy this CD?" If you are looking for a disc that will make you want to get up and mosh, then *No Code* probably is not for you. Even though *No Code* lacks the hard edge that put Pearl Jam on the musical map, it is still worth investing in; and it makes a great addition to any CD collection.

Cultural Film Series presents "Guelwaar"

By ERIKA STOLZER
Staff Reporter

"Guelwaar," a wise and humorous portrait of contemporary rural life in Senegal by master storyteller Ousmane Sembene, is the upcoming feature in Villanova's Fall 1996 Cultural Film and Lecture Series. This 1993 social satire is written and directed by Sembene, an outstanding literary figure and the father of modern African cinema. As in Sembene's sixearlier films (including "Mandabi" and "Xala"), at the heart of "Guelwaar" is a single absurd situation used to indict African corruption.

Inspired by a true story, Sembene employs the death of the title character, Guelwaar, a village spokesperson, and the disappearance of his corpse as an underlying symbol. Using the death of Guelwaar, an advocate of an independent and unified Africa, Sembene is able to symbolize the deeply-rooted jealousies and conflicts that are at the focus of the opposition.

The conflict that results over Guelwaar's death and the disappearance of his body illustrate the bureaucracy, family conflicts and religious fanaticism that come between the village's Moslem and Christian opposing factions. Although Sembene himself is a Moslem, he is even-handed at meting out criticism of both sides.

"Guelwaar" will have four screenings in the University's Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, September 21 at 7 p.m, Sunday September 22 at 3:30 and 7 p.m and Monday, September 23 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students and $4 for the general public. The Monday evening screening of "Guelwaar" will be introduced by the head of V.U.'s Africana Studies program, Maghan Keita, who will lead a discussion, "Sembene's Modern Africa: The Power and the Pride" following the viewing period.

For more information, or to be added to the Cultural Film Series' mailing list, please call X94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

"Guelwaar" gives a taste of contemporary African rural life.

Eating on the Main Line: Schlotzsky's Deli disapoints

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Although Schlotzsky's Deli is a relatively new edition to a long list of Main Line eateries, many Villanovans have probably passed the restaurant's doors while walking, driving or shuttling down Lancaster Avenue. Located directly across from Barnes and Noble Bookstore in Bryn Mawr, this tiny deli seems like the kind of place where one would be able to find good food at student-friendly prices.

When my companion and I arrived at Schlotzsky's on Saturday afternoon, I was famished. I had purposely skipped my favorite meal of the week, brunch, because I was determined to have a filling lunch. Trying to find a parking space in the minute lot proved to be an adventure in itself; however, when I glanced up at the extensive and prominently displayed menu in the window, my frustration instantly subsided: I was now in hot pursuit of the "light smoked turkey breast sandwich."

The interior of Schlotzsky's Deli is small, but cozy. Customers make their choices and wait in line at the deli counter, which features a large display of fresh salads, desserts and canned and bottled beverages. We made it through the relatively long line without a problem; however, once we reached the cash register, we were dismayed by the unfriendly demeanor of our check-out person. Attributing the cause of her odd behavior to the hectic pace of the lunch hour, we took our number (customers wait until their number is called and then pick up their food at another window) and went in search of a table.

There are about 15 small tables in the deli, but when I was there, about four of them were pushed together with their chairs missing. Surprisingly, not even one of the leftover tables was clean. They were all littered with remnants of past meals, including crumbs, straw wrappers and used napkins.

We finally found a relatively spotless table and, while waiting for number 240 to be called, perused the menu. Schlotzsky's makes a variety of homemade original, light and deli sandwiches. It also offers daily homemade soups, 8 inch sourdough crust pizzas, specialty pizzas, desserts and "Kid Combos." In addition, Schlotzsky's has a small breakfast menu that includes the usual favorites, such as egg and cheese sandwiches and bagels with cream cheese or jelly.

When our sandwiches arrived, we were not very impressed with their presentation. The[1] light smoked turkey breast sandwich" looked like it was haphazardly thrown together, and the turkey and bacon club kept falling apart. Although our meals were not exactly filling, the kids at the table next to us sure seemed to enjoy their barbeque chicken pizza and peanut butter cookies.

In my experience, eating at Schlotzsky's on Saturday afternoon is a bad idea. I'd like to give this quaint deli the benefit of the doubt when it comes to long lines, curt service and messy tables, maybe these faults are simply the result of an unusually busy day. However, when the average cost of a regular sandwich is $5.25 (on a student budget, this is somewhat pricey), the "Home of the Original Sandwich" should definitely consider some improvements in atmosphere and efficiency.

Xwing: A "Star Wars" tradition

By CRAIG HATLER
Staff Reporter

They helped to destroy the First and Second Death Stars, and defended Echo Base on Hoth from the Empire while the Rebels evacuated it. Rogue Squadron, the group of fighter pilots to which such heroism is accredited, is given a new mission in *X-Wing*, the newest series of Star Wars novels, written by Michael A. Stackpole. Opened so powerfully by the book *Rogue Squadron*, fans of the dramatic, action-packed Star Wars Universe are told of how this elite starfighter unit was resurrected to take on the Empire in the Galactic Core.

Set two and a half years after *Star Wars VI: The Return of the Jedi*, the Empire is dealt blow after successive blow by the fledgling New Republic after the death of Emperor Palpatine on the Second Death Star.

Commander Wedge Antilles, the Commanding Officer of Rogue Squadron, has been given the task of rebuilding the unit with the best Rebel pilots in the galaxy. Not only are skilled pilots wanted, but those able to face "Overwhelming odds, tough targets and scant chance of survival-business as usual for Rogue Squadron." Unfortunately, the remnants of the Empire, under the tenable command of Ysanne Isard, head of Imperial Intelligence, has resolved to destroy Rogue Squadron by both sheer force and from within. The action builds as the elite unit attempts to fight it's way into the Core of the Galaxy, stopped at every turn by Imperial forces.

For Star Wars fans, this book begins a series that will fill some of the gaps between *The Truce at Bakura* and *The Courtship of Princess Leia*.

In addition, it serves to explain a lot of what went on during the battles surrounding the destruction of the Death Stars. Although the space battle scenes are filled with a lot of technical jargon and are bit hard to follow, the flow of the story is not hampered by them. The politics of the New Republic shown in the story will remind Star Wars readers of similar events presented in Timothy Zahn's Thrawn Trilogy. In conclusion, this book is a welcome addition to the wealth of novels which expand and enrich the Star Wars Universe.

As mentioned in the introduction, *Rogue Squadron* opens the series X-Wing. The second book in the series, *Wedge's Gamble*, is on the shelves available for reading.

"Bullet Proof" gets mixed reviews with high action and low plot

By JAMIE NOONAN
Staff Reporter

If an action/comedy is what you are looking for, I have found the movie for you. "Bulletproof," staring Adam Sandler and Damon Wayans, is a good mix of both comedy and action. The story line is simple and the action plentiful.

Archie Moses (Adam Saddler) is a petty thief from Los Angeles who has never been able to trust anyone in his life. Rock Keats (Damon Wayans) is able to gain Moses' trust and joins him as his partner in crime. Moses even includes him in his plan on a drug heist, supposedly an easy job with a big payoff.

Moses never realizes that Keats is actually an undercover cop trying to bust a drug ring run by big-time car dealer Frank Colton (James Caan). As the heist goes down, things fall apart.

Keats tries to arrest Moses, but Moses does not go easily. Feeling betrayed by his friend, he strikes back and during the melee shots are fired. Moses accidently shoots Keats in the head.

As Keats awakes in the hospital, he meets his beautiful nurse, Traci Flyn (Kristen Wilson), and falls in love. As the two fall in love, Keats is forced back to the job, but this time he's behind the desk with a steel plate in his head. With his head throbbing, Keats cannot wait to get back at Moses. The cops finally track Moses down and get him to agree to turn state's evidence, but with one condition: Keats has to bring him in.

Sandler and Wayans work well together and their characters compliment one other.

When Keats goes to get Moses and escort him back to Los Angeles, the two are ambushed by Colton's men, who are still upset about the bust of their drug ring. Barely escaping the ambush, Keats and Moses find themselves alone in the desert trying to find their way back to Los Angeles. This is when the real fun begins.

"Bulletproof" is high on action, but low on plot. Sandler and Wayans work well together and their characters complement one other. The movie is a good mix of action and comedy, but many viewers may have already seen this type of movie formula in "48 Hours." With a running time of only one hour and 35 minutes, "Bulletproof" is a little short. It is worth seeing, but viewers might consider waiting until it comes out on video.

Concerts

Electric Factory

Sept. 20, 8:30 p.m. — The Temptations, Soul Survivors
TICKETS: $22.50
SHOW IS 21+

Sept. 21, 8:30 p.m. — Barenaked Ladies, Geggy Tah'
TICKETS: $18.50

Oct. 12, 1 p.m. — Octoberfest'96
TICKETS: $17.50
SHOW IS 21+

Theatre of the Living Arts

Sept. 21, 8 p.m. — Weird Al Yankovic
TICKETS: $25
NOTE: ALL TOWER TICKETS WILL BE HONORED

Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m. — Joshua Redman
TICKETS: Reserved $16.50

Oct. 4, 8 p.m. — Tracy Bonham, Red Five
TICKETS: $7.50

Oct. 5, 8p.m. — An Evening with: Ferron
TICKETS: Reserved $12.50

Oct. 10, 8 p.m. — The Badlees
TICKETS: $9.50 (ON SALE 9/20)

Oct. 11, 8 p.m. — Moxy Fruvous, Johnny Vegas
TICKETS: $12.50

Oct. 18, 8 p.m. — Maxwell
TICKETS: $12.50 (ON SALE 9/20)

Oct. 19, 8 p.m. — Brian Setzer Orchestra
TICKETS: $15.50 (ON SALE 9/20)

Oct. 22-26 8 p.m. — An Evening with Ray Davis 20th Century Man
TICKETS: Reserved $26.75 ($28.75 for 10/25 and 10/26)

Corestates Center

Sept. 15, 7 p.m. — Ozzy Osbourne, Danzig, Sepultura, Clutch
TICKETS: $22.50

Sept. 27 and 28 8 p.m. — Neil Diamond
TICKETS: $27.50-35
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Hershey Park Stadium

Sept. 29 7 p.m. — Dave Matthews Band, Soul Coughing
TICKETS: $25

Bryce Jordan Center

Oct. 1 5:30 p.m. — David Copperfield
TICKETS: $23.50-39.50

Oct. 7, 7:30 p.m. — Dave Matthews Band, Boxing Gandhis
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Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m. — Phish
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Pittsburgh Civic Arena

Oct. 18, 7:30 p.m. — Phish
TICKETS: $21

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

God Street Wine performing in Dougherty Hall

God Street Wine provides a break from studing on Sept. 26.

By MICHAEL CORCORAN
Staff Reporter

Playing the past three years on the H.O.R.D.E. tour, doing almost 200 shows a year, and having recently released their fourth album "Red," God Street Wine has proved that they are one of the hardest working bands in the world. Despite all of their hard work and well- deserved success, God Street Wine has not lost their focus: to producing great music and high-energy shows night in and night out. G.S.W. will be bringing this show to the Villanova Room on Thursday September 26th.

Since their formation over seven years ago as students of NYU and Manhattan School of Music, the members of God Street Wine have been steadily building up a strong following. This is especially true in their home state of New York. G.S.W. was the first unsigned band to sell out New York City's Irving Plaza. This is no small task considering Irving Plaza is a venue of over 1000 capacity. Another example of their strong fan base is the fact that GSW's mailing list has over 15,000 names, and their e-mail announcement list has over 1,000 subscribers. G.S.W. fans have also been known to roadtrip four or five hours for one of their trademark live shows.

Despite all of this success, G.S.W. has even higher expectations, and having sold out bigger venues than Irving Plaza across the country, these expectations are gradually starting to materialize.

Another step in the right direction, at least according to the members of G.S.W. was the independent and subsequent re-release of their latest album "*Red*" on Mercury records. This gave G.S.W. a chance to put out an album virtually un-altered by a major label. In the past, this has been a sore subject for God Street Wine, who had a short-lived experience with Geffen Records under whose label they released their third album, *$1.99 Romances*.

Right now, God Street Wine is pretty much right where they want to be, opening on certain occasions for bands like Blues ,Traveler, and playing a majority of their shows on their own. The G.S.W. live show is a truly unique experience which has been copmpared to that of the Allman Brothers Band and Phish. But make no mistake, G.S.W. has a sound and style all their own.It is one that must be checked out in order to be fully understood.

So next week take a break from "Must See TV",and check out a great band in their only area appearence. Tickets are $5 for students, $8 for public, and are available in 214 Dougherty hall.

Grateful Dead meets Reggae in tribute CD

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

I'm not much of a reggae fan or a Dead fan, so I was skeptical of the new album, *Fire on the Mountain: Reggae Celebrates the Grateful Dead*. This compilation, released on Pow Wow Records, consists of Jamaican artists covering their favorite Grateful Dead tunes. However, after listening to the album, I realized that it successfully pulls off meshing these two different types of music together. A broad mix of musical sounds are blended together to produce an excellent array of songs, and the artists utilize strong horn sections to form incredibly catchy riffs.

The album starts off with the grooving beats of "Casey Jones," and goes on to the swinging melody of "Fire on the Mountain." Some songs have a ska-ish rhythm that's great to dance to, like "Cassidy," covered by Lasana Bandele. This album provides a variety of different tempos, ranging from the upbeat "Good Lovin'" to the more mellow"Touch of Grey".

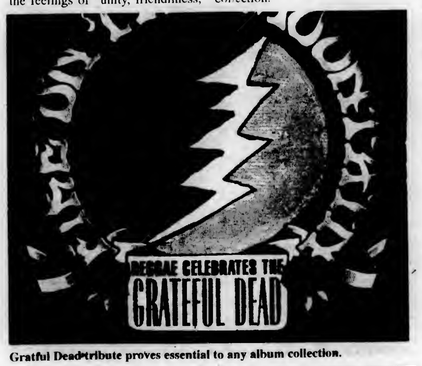
All the artists on the CD are established reggae artists who weren't all familiar with the Dead's music, yet each of them makes an emotional connection with their chosen song. When the singer Judy Mowatt first heard "Row Jimmy," she related to the feelings of "unity, friendliness, and togetherness" because it reminded her of her childhood.

Mowatt takes this song and adds a sweet gospel melody that makes you feel like you're "walking on air."

When the Wailing Souls covered "Casey Jones," they really clicked with Jerry Garcia's spirituous lyrics. "This 'Casey Jones' song is pertaining to a train driver who's high on cocaine," says Winston Matthews, vocalist for the band. "The conductor should get strong, forget drugs and just know he has people's lives in his hands."

Chalice, who shows solid musicianship on this album, provides backing vocals on tracks such as "Touch of Grey," "Good Lovin'" and "Eyes of the World," as well as performing "Fire on the Mountain." The group was drawn in by the hook of the song and approached it with simplicity that really captured the essence of the song. Joe Riggs, who has guided the likes of Bob Marley, adds his rendition of "Uncle John's Band" and expresses his unique style of reggae on this classic.

The Grateful Dead has certainly had a tremendous impact on various artists from all genres of music. *Fire on the Mountain* will definitely be a treat to any music lover's ears, whether a fan of reggae music or not. The fusion of these two types of music proves to be irresistible, making this album essential to anyone's music collection.



Gratful Dead tribute proves essential to any album collection.

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	TUESDAY	THURSDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7-9 am	FOR SALE	FOR SALE	IT'S TOO EARLY w/ ED MacLaughlin	FOR SALE
9-11 am	RENTING	SELECTIONS By MAGNAPOP	MY WORLD (MUSIC) BAHMAN SAHRAM	We're your PAL w/ FEEDBACK (10-11)
11-1 pm	kerry and carrie or carrie n' kerry? we're not sure	The Graduate w/ grad ass't JOE G	Ten Minute Rice w/ Chris Grady & Dave Bergeron	This Week with Jon and Joe (11-12)
1-3 pm	"Scott Farkus" w/ Chris Goett & Brett Burton	what country is that song from? w/ Judy & Isis	CLASSICAL THUNDER! w/ Amy & Adrienne	Fast Actin' Pete Acton (1-2)
3-5 pm	Heather Patsis & Beth Toolin just toolin' around	Darn Punk Kids! Chris Ackerman & Matt Gentile	N,J,J & J Play Stuff (3-4) Hot Air (4-5) w/ Jim "KHAKI" Donlo	Cabrini Pulls the Plug CABRINI CABRINI
5-7 pm	The Media Circus w/ Pat Foley & his sidekick Jeff Phillips	tba tba tba	"We love you Sammy" w/ Sammy Perugini and his adoring entourage	CABRINI CABRINI
7-9 pm	the LET'S SHAG show w/ eduardo suave and ann the jingle girl	The Matt & Andy Show! w/ you know who	PAT TECHNOLAN it's winning raves!	CABRINI CABRINI CABRINI
9-11 pm	scott WEEDS peterson plays some slimy stuff	"AHHHH METAL..." w/ KRISTEN BELMONT	SKARTICLES w/ Rude Boy Redden	CABRINI CABRINI
11-2 am	Steve is Just Bald w/ squeaky-clean steve and his hip-hop tunes	The Hip Hop Theatre w/ B-ill it's all that and a bag of chips	"He'll beat you up" w/ Dirk Fabian and lots of angry music	All Good People Are Asleep And Dreaming . . . SHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH! please don't wake them up!

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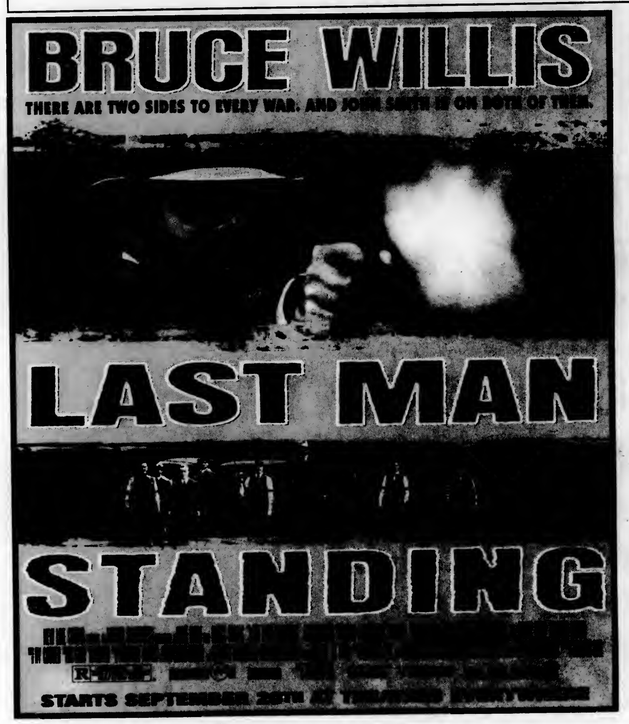

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22 *Parents' Weekend*	23	24	25 COME TO THE PARTY!	26 *CBS College Tour* Connelly Plaza *The Rock* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10 p.m. $3 *God Street Wine* Villanova Room, 9p.m. $5 students, $8 public Tickets on sale, 214 Dougherty!	27 *CBS College Tour* *The Rock* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10 p.m. $3 *Street Dance, Barbeque & Scavenger Hunt* Sheehan/Sullivan Quad Free food & music! 10 p.m. - 1a.m.	28 *Casino Night with Comedic Juggler Bill Fry* Nightclub 8p.m. - Midnight, $3 Win great prizes!
29	30	1 *Student Comedy Troupe* Nightclub, 8p.m., free!	2	3 *Eraser* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10 p.m., $3	4 *Eraser* Connelly Center Cinema 7&10 p.m., $3 *Rockwell Church* Acoustic Folk Rock Nightclub, 10 p.m.	5 *AmneSIA Dance Party* Nightclub, 9p.m. - 2a.m. $3 with Nova ID

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Mon. Nov. 18	Foreign Team (Exhibition)	VILLANOVA
Fri. Nov. 29	% American	San Juan, PR
Sat. Nov. 30	% Butler	San Juan, PR
Sun. Dec. 1	% Tulane	San Juan, PR
Wed. Dec. 4	Providence	VILLANOVA
Sat. Dec. 7	at St. John's	New York, NY
Mon. Dec. 10	at Pennsylvania	Philadelphia, Pa.
Sat. Dec. 14	# Duke	Philadelphia, Pa.
Sat. Dec. 21	Mount St. Mary's	VILLANOVA
Mon. Dec. 23	St. Joseph's	VILLANOVA
Sat. Dec. 28	Rider	VILLANOVA
Mon. Dec. 30	UNC-Wilmington	VILLANOVA
Thur. Jan. 2	Seton Hall	VILLANOVA
Mon. Jan. 6	at Providence	Providence, RI
Wed. Jan. 8	Oral Roberts	VILLANOVA
Sat. Jan. 11	Miami	VILLANOVA
Tue. Jan. 14	at Notre Dame	South Bend, Ind.
Sat. Jan. 18	Rutgers	VILLANOVA
Mon. Jan. 20	# Syracuse	Philadelphia, Pa.
Sat. Jan. 25	at Boston College	Boston, Mass.
Mon. Jan. 27	at Georgetown	Landover, Md.
Sat. Feb. 1	at Syracuse	Syracuse, NY
Tue. Feb. 4	West Virginia	VILLANOVA
Sun. Feb. 9	at Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.
Wed. Feb. 12	at Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Sun. Feb. 16	# Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.
Wed. Feb. 19	* St. John's	Philadelphia, Pa.
Sun. Feb. 23	* Connecticut	Philadelphia, Pa.
Wed. Feb. 26	at West Virginia	Morgantown, WV
Sat. March 1	at Rutgers	Piscataway, NJ
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Intramural Flag Football

The Villanovan's Pre-Season Top Ten

1. Thundering Herd
Last season's league champions return as the favorite. Junior Mike Noonan, last year's Intramural Athlete of the Year, will again guide the team which finished a perfect 10-0. The Herd beat the Goodfellas, 18-13, to claim the title. Center Mark Beeler returns as Noonan's favorite target.

2. Rage
Rage is the new, non-biblical name for Ezekial. Ezekial went to the semi-finals last year before being eliminated. Steve Miller returns as the quarterback and the McConnell twins will again provide defensive pressure. Six-foot-5 speedster Mike Schuttloffel returns as the primary offensive weapon.

3. Abbie
Intramural director Justin Sell could take the title as he welcomes some heavy hitters as teammates. Two of last year's varsity football starters, Frank Venezia and Chris Hardy, return to the gridiron as graduate students. Rob Zemanick of last year's Goodfella squad serves as captain.

4. Dog Pile
Dog Pile made it to the semi-finals last year and returns its key players. Captain Tugger Perry is joined by Steve Genzale and quarterback Tom Shank. They play in a tough league, though, and could be upset.

5. Program
These newcomers boast possibly the most athletic team in the school. Comprised of varsity baseball players such as Brian Fili, Craig Culhane, Jason Cassesa and Trevor Pepkowski, the Program could take the title.

6. Pi Kapps
Pi Kapps finished last year at No. 7 in the rankings. Captained by senior quarterback John Bearoff, they built a reputation for a powerful offense.

7. MacDaddyz
The MacDaddyz bowed out to the Dog Pile in the playoffs last year, but they return almost all of their players. Senior quarterback Joe Patterson will be looking to *Villanovan* columnist Ryan Schalk and SGA President Pete Acton on offense.

8. Pikes
Joe Lattinelli of last year's Bomb squad returns to lead the Pikes. The Bomb finished the season ranked No. 5.

9. NROTC A
The Navy boys are led by captain Sid Hodgson. The ROTC squads didn't fare too well last year, but the word has it that they have improved.

10. Silver Bullets
The ex-Corr Hall veterans come back for a fourth season together. Quarterback Chris Weidler is joined by former Corr boys, including Mark Jablonski and Ron Josey.

FROM THE FIELDHOUSE

Home Games for the 'Cats! September 21-September 27

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9/22/96 vs. Wildcat Tournament TBA
9/25/96 vs. Princeton 7:30pm

FILE PHOTO

Debbi Picco prepares for a serve. The senior captain helps anchor the volleyball club that has posted a 5-4 record thus far.

Volleyball spikes the field in Massachusetts tournament

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The women's volleyball team posted a 2-1 record while participating in the UMass/ Reebok Classic this past weekend in Amherst, Mass.

In the first matchup, the Wildcats took on Umass (8-1), falling in five games, 3-15, 17-15, 12-15, 15-13 and 10-15. The team combined for 74 kills, 98 digs and 12 blocks. Junior Stacey Evans and sophomore Megan O'Brien had 17 kills apiece. Evans also contributed 21 digs. Marisa Davidson had an excellent game; posting 16 kills and 14 digs. Sophomore Elizabeth Jones had 14 kills and led the team with 24 digs in the loss.

'Nova bounced back from its first loss and collected a three-game victory over Central Connecticut State University, 15-8, 15-10 and 15-2. The Wildcats had 36 kills compared to 22 by CCSU.

Jones had a strong outing with nine kills and four digs. Davidson, O'Brien and Senior Debbi Picco combined for 21 kills. The team had eight blocks.

The Wildcats came up with another dominating victory against Delaware, taking the Blue Hens, 15-4, 15-5 and 15-3. Evans led the team with 11 kills and five digs. Kris Tomasovic posted five kills and three digs. Davidson, O'Brien and Jones each had seven digs apiece. The team's attack percentage was .295 compared to Delaware's .053. This win gave the Wildcats a 2-1 record at the tournament.

After nine matches, O'Brien leads the team with 105 kills and 111 digs, while Evans is right behind her with 96 kills and 94 digs. O'Brien and Evans are tied with 12 aces each. Jones has also made impressive contributions with 72 kills, 94 digs and seven aces.

The Wildcats will have no competition this weekend, but will face Delaware on Sept. 25, looking for another victory in this rematch to improve their 5-4 record.

Men place second at Lafayette meet

By CHRIS MAIRS
Staff Reporter

Last Saturday, the men's cross country team was at Easton, Pa. for The Lafayette Invitational. The Wildcats placed second among the 12 schools who competed. The top team was Princeton, which compiled 30 points. The men finished only 11 points behind Princeton with 41 points. Some of the other top finishing teams were Lafayette, Monmouth, Seton Hall and Moravian.

All things considered, this is a fairly strong start for the young Wildcats. Villanova placed four runners in the top ten. These runners include the two top Wildcats, sophomore Coulby Dunn and junior Gabriel Soto, who tied for fourth with a time of 25:46. Steve Mazur, the lone senior runner for the Wildcats in this meet, finished next in 25:48.

The fourth and final member in the top 10 for the Wildcats was sophomore Oisin Crowley, who finished ninth in 26:07.

Two runners who looked strong in their college debut were freshmen Scott Tantino and Cory Smith. The duo finished 21st and 22nd, respectively, in times of 26:40 and 26:42. Sophomores Brock Butler and Rich Morris finished in 38th and 39th places, respectively at times of 27:34 and 27:38.

The next meet is the Iona Invitational on Sept. 28, at VanCourtlandt Park in New York, NY.

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The Villanovan's
Athletes of the Week

Male
Deon Jackson
Football

The defensive back snared an interception and recovered a fumble in the Wildcat's drubbing of Delaware.

Female
Kathleen Roman
Soccer

The senior contributed four goals and one assist in three games last week, helping the team go 2-1.

Student attendance needed at games

(continued from page 36)

the game and didn't drink anymore, then your risk is minimized," Stack observed. "But that's not what happens."

The students that I talked to disagreed. They said that they were interested in football and would, in fact, attend the game. They feel that they deserve the chance to prove themselves. The University, however, feels that it can no longer afford to take the chance.

"It's harder to look the other way than it used to be," Stack concluded.

With the University seemingly unwilling to reinstate tailgating, the fans will have to be drawn into the stadium with the resources that are presently available. The team's improved play is a definite plus, and DeFilippo feels that the athletic department has been doing an excellent job of promoting the games. Talley would also like to see a football club similar to the one in existence for the basketball team. The potential also exists for a move into Division I-A, which could bolster attendance by bringing in the bigger programs. All parties involved agree that now is a good time for all their hard work to start paying off with results, that is, with more students in the seats.

"I think that our student body has to decide that [football] is something that they want on Saturday afternoons, or don't want," Talley said. "Last year was exciting, but we missed a lot. I think this year is a very good year to get involved in Villanova football."

Talley's players agree.

"The fans are an important part of the game, no doubt about it," Sifford said. "The more fans we have, the better off we'll be."

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Tennis defeats LaSalle

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
Staff Reporter

After the postponement of its first three matches of the season due to inclement weather, the women's tennis team had its first test last Tuesday. The Lady Wildcats defeated LaSalle by an overwhelming score of 7-0. Head Coach Bob Batman attributes this victory to the team's preparedness.

"Nobody let up," said Batman. "They played their best and maintained their intensity."

Freshmen Katie O'Brien and Katie Cooper attained their first collegiate victories against LaSalle.

O'Brien, who plays third singles, won her match convincingly (6-0, 6-0).

She also performed well in her doubles match. She is currently seeded No. 1 on the team in doubles. Cooper earned her first victory (6-0, 6-1) from the number six spot.

O'Brien expected, sophomore Julie Bonner performed well. Batman credits good shape and conditioning to her continued success. Junior Meghan Daniels also performed well in her first match of the year.

A tournament took the team to West Virginia last weekend. The individual tournament provided insight into the team's shortcomings.

Singles play proved to be strong. Julie Bonner, O'Brien and junior Ashley Pagana exhibited promise. Strong focus and positive attitude led to the singles success.

However, the doubles teams did not play as well. This is an aspect upon which the team must improve. Overall, the tournament illustrated where the team stands in singles and doubles.

Head Coach Bob Batman and Associate Head Coach Steve Reiniger are preparing the team for its Tuesday match against a tough competitor in Lehigh University.

"This should be good match against a good team," Batman said.

Indeed, the match will be a measure to see how far the team has come. Focus and intensity are the key as the Wildcats face Millersville on Wednesday.

S P O R T S

KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

I can't wait for Sunday. The matchup of the year has finally come. Like Ali vs. Frazier; Like the Yankees/A's match-ups of the 20s; Like Hulkster vs. Rowdy Roddy Piper; Like Athens vs. Sparta--Sunday will mark the date of a knock down, drag out gladiatorial contest that will be the subject of locker room lore throughout the ages.

Of course, I'm speaking of none other than the Giants/Jets game that is bound to draw the biggest television audience since the episode of the Fresh Prince where Will got shot. You might as well throw away the record books before this Grapple for the Big Apple.

What you have here is the quintessential battle of the AFC's 15th best defense of the Jets against the NFC's 14th best offense of the G-Men. No doubt about it, this white-knuckler's gonna have the nation glued to their television sets.

When the possession of the ball changes, the parity disappears and it is possible to maybe, just maybe, give an edge to one of these gridiron juggernauts. The Jets have been moving the ball like champs, getting just under 310 yards per game. QB Neil O'Donnell has been showing his Super Bowl form once again by throwing four TDs to only five picks. And this Keyshawn Johnson's jubilant histrionics after every catch are really refreshing in today's workmanlike NFL.

The men in blue, on the other hand, have had some difficulties going up and down the field. Unlike their glory days when Phil Simms could electrify fans with a four touchdown, 300-yard game week in and week out, Dave Brown has had trouble figuring out defenses.

The Giants have barely been able to reach 200 yards in total offense in each of their contests this season, and their minus four in the giveaway/takeaway column is less than desirable. But, as my good friend Fire has recently reminded me, "You can't keep down that Giant pride." In fact, I've heard that's the cheer Frank Gifford uses to lift the spirits of Kathie Lee's sweatshop workers on those rare days they're feeling down. Ilook for a breakout week for Brown against the mighty Jets defense.

Don't get me wrong. I will never underestimate a Richie K coached team. It's been a stroke of genius for him to save his two potential All-Pro tight ends for the playoffs. Throwing, even once a game, to Kyle Brady or Johnny Mitchell would destroy the element of surprise that will be the Jets' key to post-season success.

Quite honestly, no matter who wins this one, I am sure sitting back with my buddy Fire and a few brouhahas watching this game of the century will be the highlight of the 1996 football season.

Stars shine as field hockey takes two

By BRIAN SEIDEL
Staff Reporter

After a disappointing loss at William and Mary, the field hockey team received a big boost last week from two of their star players en route to back-to-back wins over Drexel and Penn. It was the kind of effort that Head Coach Joanie Milhous's team needed after a slow start.

The Cats jumped out to a 1-0 lead when Lucy Durbin put the ball past Drexel's Kristin Egan with 25:55 remaining in the first period. Durbin tallied her second goal with a little more than three minutes to go in the half. Senior co-captain Jill Basile registered two goals and added an assist. Mary Krauss rounded out the scoring as the team went on to defeat Drexel handily, 5-0. It was the first shutout of the season for sophomore goalie Sarah Wiggin.

The same individuals came up big in the game against Penn as well. After falling behind, Lucy Durbin tied the score at 1-1 with 23 minutes remaining in the first. Then it was Jill Basile's time to shine. She gave the Cats the lead at the half, 2-1. Basile completed the hat trick by netting two more goals in the second period. The goals came within 1:42 of each other. Krauss finished off the scoring once again as 'Nova defeated Penn by the final score of 5-3. Sarah Wiggin had another solid performance in goal, making five saves.

To top the week off, a soon-to-be familiar force was given recognition by the conference. The league named freshman forward Mary Krauss the first-ever Big East Rookie of the Week.

The freshman tallied a goal and an assist in each of the team's two victories last week. Krauss is third in scoring for the Cats with six points, trailing only Lucy Durbin (10 points) and Jill Basile (23 points).

Coming off of a disappointing season, this is exactly what the field hockey team needed. Coach Milhous believes that if the team can begin the season on a roll, it should be able to put last season behind them.

This quick start hopefully will give the team confidence and bring Villanova field hockey to greater heights.

The team takes its winning streak on the road for two big games next week beginning with the Big East opener against Boston College tonight. On Sunday, the team takes on another Big East rival in Providence.

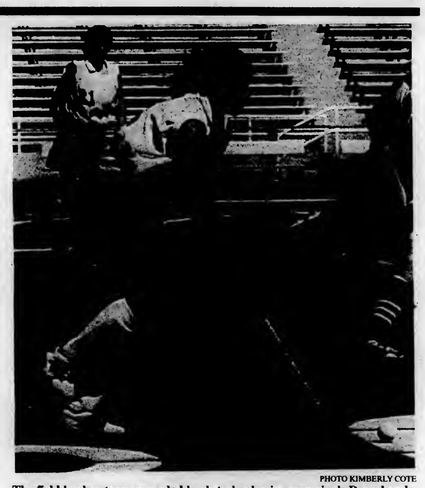


PHOTO KIMBERLY COTE

The field hockey team recorded back-to-back wins over rivals Drexel and Pennsylvania. After a slow start, the team has finally picked things up.

Soccer boots Hawks

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Villanova men's soccer team last week recorded its second victory of the season with a 3-1 win over St. Joseph's, while also recording its second loss of the year, losing 1-0 to Syracuse. The win and the loss now brings the Cats' record to 2-2-1.

On Wednesday Sept. 11, Villanova traveled to St. Joe's to capture an overtime victory. The Hawks started the scoring early with a goal from John Gallager and assist from Brian Schmidt. The Cats would fight back before halftime, as senior forward Jon Corell scored at 39:56 with junior James Corcoran recording the assist. The two teams would physically battle through regulation, finding themselves tied at 1-1.

'Nova 's offense, however, would not give up. Two minutes and 35 seconds into overtime, freshman Dave Bradford, with the help of Correll, scored a goal to put the Cats ahead 2-1.

Villanova would not leave without scoring again, this time with Correll recording the tally and senior Mike Trojan recording the assist. With the comfortable 3-1 lead, 'Nova was able to tally its second win of the season.

Correll has been a key contributor to the Wildcats efforts early in the season, collecting three goals and seven points. For his efforts, Correll was named Man of the Match, contributing in each of Villanova's three goals. He is currently tied for second in points in the Soccer Seven, which includes all Philadelphia area schools.

Complementing Correll's performance against St. Joe's was junior Matt Westfall, who had another superb performance in goal, saving 16 shots.

"The team played very well," Head Coach Larry Sullivan said. "They made a good adjustment to the turf and worked hard passing the ball well."

The Cat's also traveled to Syracuse on Saturday, Sept. 14, only to return home with a loss. The Orangemen started the scoring 15 minutes into the first half when Michael Jacobson, with the help of Anthony Iannone, blasted a shot past Westfall. While Syracuse was able to tally a score, Villanova was unable to produce offensively.

Yet, the Cats never gave up, as shown by the defensive efforts of Brian Connelly. He had to mark a difficult player throughout the match. Because of his consistent and constant efforts Coach Sullivan named Connelly the Man of the Match in the contest against Syracuse.

Villanova recorded only six shots on goal while the Orangemen doubled the Cats' output with 15. Corcoran recorded two of the six shots Villanova reported, making him the leader on the team for shots on goal with 11. Westfall had an outstanding game, collecting seven saves in goal to put him at the top of the leader board in the Soccer Seven with 56. Westfall's superb protection of the net has been a great asset for the Cats this year.

"Although we played against a very tough opponent, the team never quit," stated Coach Sullivan. "This showed me what the team was really capable of and I was pleased."

Villanova is now looking to add some more victories to its record. The Wildcats' next contests include an away game on Sept. 22 at Providence and a home game on Sept. 25 against Pennsylvania. Coach Sullivan and his team are looking to turn things around.

Parents' Weekend Football!

Come out and watch the No. 18 Wildcats take on Fordham Saturday 1 p.m.

Composite Schedule for Home Games

Sat. Sept. 21	Water Polo vs. Iona	10:30 a.m.
	Football vs. Fordham	1:00 p.m.
	Water Polo vs. St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 25	Men's Soccer vs. UPenn	3:30 p.m.
	Water Polo vs. Princeton	7:30 p.m.

The country club and pop culture: a happy marriage?

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

They had seen it before. In fact, they had grown accustomed to it. Galleries across the world know that Fred Couples has ice water in his veins. So when Couples sank his long birdie putt on hole 17 to give the United States a win over the International team in this year's Presidents Cup, they blared out the customary chant of "Freddie, Freddie." His teammate David Duval, who was an incredible 4-0 in the tournament, claimed that everyone just comes to expect that from Fred. After all it was his shot out of the fairway bunker on hole 18 in last year's Presidents Cup that landed two feet from the pin and secured a victory for the United States.

International competition between professional golfers is why the game is so great. The Ryder Cup, which is played every four years, traditionally draws the largest crowds and now the Presidents Cup is starting to do the same.

The competition that is created at this event is nothing less than amazing. It's the match play that thrills the crowd. It's one country against another with the entire world watching. The patriotism that overflows at such events is so evident by the reaction of the gallery about such minimal actions. A four foot par putt is celebrated like a national holiday. The feelings generated at this event rival nothing else in sports.

Golf today has changed into something that the game's creator could have never imagined. With more and more Generation Xers taking up the game than ever before, and the emergence of Tiger Woods on the professional golf scene, golf is at the zenith of the sports world. America has fallen in love with the game. No longer is the game appreciated by just those who collect social security.

The boom in the game of golf has also prompted the commercializing of the game. More and more companies are sponsoring professional golfers because of all the exposure they are receiving. Nike, whose Hermetic symbol appears everywhere in the sports world today, has now become one of the largest corporate sponsors in the game. And now with Tiger Woods donning the Nike attire, their image and sales will inevitably rise. Another part of the game that has been influenced by its rise in popularity has been the televising of golf events. Now it seems that every weekend their is a professional tournament on one of the major stations. Whether it be the Masters or the Greater Hartford Open people intensely watch every shot. All because of the public's craving for the game.

They yearn for the game because in today's world of sports it is the only game in which cockiness and greed do not play a part. The game is pure; pure because players officiate themselves and do not hesitate to call penalties on themselves. They don't want to embarrass the game. This is what lures us all in. Events such as the Presidents Cup and the Ryder Cup emulate all of these great aspects of the game.

So the next time Freddie drains a long eagle putt or Davis Love smokes his drive 300 yards, watch with amazement. Not only are these shots incredible, but this game is incredible. Finally, America is starting to realize this.

S P O R T S

'Nova athletics signs computer deal with Unisys

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

Villanova athletics has recently entered into a partnership with Unisys of Blue Bell, Pa. that will allow Villanova student-athletes access to computers for various educational purposes.

Unisys, a national information management company that manufactures computer hardware, has agreed to contribute 12 state-of-the-art laptop computers totaling $150,000 to the Villanova Athletic Department. Student-athletes will use the computers to complete course assignments, access e-mail and the Internet and communicate with professors and classmates.

In return, Unisys officially becomes a corporate sponsor of Villanova Athletics, entitling the company to various promotions. The company will receive advertising in publications such as football and basketball programs, on-air advertising on Villanova's radio network, as well as other promotions through the athletic department.

"With the academic success and the athletic success that we've had, people want to become associated with us," said Athletic Director Gene DeFilippo. "[The partnership] shows a commitment on the part of the community to Villanova University."

The computers, which are equipped with programs including Windows '95, Microsoft Office and Netscape 2.0, will make it easier for student-athletes to complete homework assignments, access information, and communicate with professors, advisors and classmates while away from Villanova.

The extra computers will also provide greater availability of the four existing computers at the student-athlete academic advising center.

"It's a great way for the athletes to keep up with assignments when they are on the road," said Kevin Brandmeyer, Coordinator for Media Fulfillment.

Student-Athlete Academic Advisor Nancy White and Associate Athletic Director Mary Anne Dowling are currently establishing policies on how the computers will be distributed. Most likely, a check-out system will be devised in which a student-athlete will sign out a computer on a first come, first serve basis.

The computers will primarily be given to those student-athletes who are on the road with their team.

The idea of trying to obtain portable computers was raised last fall by DeFilippo after seeing similar partnerships at other institutions.

Villanova then went about contacting Unisys to see if there was any interest in the idea.

The partnership was established after Tim Hofferth, Associate Athletic Director for External Operations, met with Scott Clark, Vice President of Marketing for Unisys. They eventually worked out the specifics of the deal, and the final contract was signed on Aug. 16.

"The goal of Unisys was to assist Villanova Athletics in maintaining the highest standards of excellence with their students, both on the playing field and, more importantly, in the classroom," Clark said. "Our expertise in information management has taken on a new focus with Villanova University, and we truly believe that we are actively enhancing the academic life of the Villanova student-athletes."

The partnership is one of many which Villanova Athletics has established with different companies in order to improve the academic and athletic atmosphere of the student-athlete, as well as highlight Villanova in the surrounding community.

"It is a wonderful compliment, not just to the athletic department, but to the entire student body and University that there's people out there who really want to help us and get involved," DeFilippo concluded.

COURTESY OF MEDIA RELATIONS

Villanova Athletic Director Gene DeFilippo with Scott Clark, Vice President of Marketing for Unisys. The partnership between Villanova and Unisys benefits Villanova's student-atheltes.

Nationally ranked women poised to take on competition

By DAVID STOUT
Staff Reporter

The women's cross country team will begin the season with high expectations. *College Sports* magazine has the Cats ranked as the No. 4 team in the country.

After last season's relatively disappointing third place finish at the NCAA Championships, the team is aiming toward bringing a seventh NCAA title in eight years to Villanova.

"We are capable of winning the NCAA Championship," Head Coach John Marshall said. "But we will need at least three or four All-Americans to do it."

The Cats strength has always been the front runners, and this year will be no different. Despite the loss of Jen Rhines, the 1994 NCAA Individual Champion and the third place finisher at last year's meet, to graduation, the Cats have four very talented front runners.

Senior Krestena Sullivan, sophomores Kristine Jost and Carrie Tollefson, and transfer Deanna Arnill comprise the top four spots.

"Krestena has the potential to be our lead runner," Marshall said. "She is the one woman who we can count on to be consistent."

Sullivan, who finished 20th at last year's NCAA Championships, will be looked to for leadership and consistency. Key to the Wildcats' success will be the continued development of Tollefson and Jost. Each had a successful freshman season and will look to build on last year. Tollefson earned All-America honors with a seventh place finish at Nationals. Jost finished 26th.

Deanna Arnill, who redshirted last season after transferring from the University of Michigan, rounds out the top four. Arnill comes to 'Nova with All-America status after her 15th place finish at the 1994 Nationals.

"Deanna will bring maturity to the team," Marshall said. "We expect her to come in and solidify the top four spots."

Others returning to the team are junior Ryan Sartwell, and sophomores Katherine Kelly and Sarah Brandy. Also joining the Cats are junior Jurga Marcinkeviciuite and three freshmen: Carman Douma, Tamika Grizzle and Lonya Johnson.

The Big East Championships figure to be just as competitive as Nationals as Providence is ranked No. 1 in the *College Sports* poll and Georgetown No. 5. The strong conference competition assures that the Cats will be ready for the NCAA Regionals, and more importantly Nationals.

The run to the championship begins on Sept. 28 at the Iona Invitational.

Women's soccer successful in weekend tournament

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team (2-3, 1-1) got back on track last week, posting a 2-1 record, notching victories against Big East rival Georgetown and non-conference foe George Washington. The loss came to a Virginia team that looks to be one of the best in the country.

On Sept. 10, the Cats hosted Georgetown, a team that featured some impressive recruits. But the Villanova defense held strong in shutting them out, 3-0. Fourteen minutes into the contest, 'Nova got on the board when senior Kathleen Roman beat the Georgetown goaltender with a well-placed shot. The remainder of the first half saw the Cats control more of the play and keep the Hoyas from finding the net.

Clinging to a one-goal lead for the first 10 minutes of the second half, the Wildcats needed breathing room and got it when sophomore forward Amy Poplawski put a feed from Roman into the lower right corner of the net. Down the stretch, the Villanova defense held tough behind another strong effort from sophomore goaltender Jeanne Hennessy who registered her first shutout of the season. The final tally for 'Nova came in the 62nd minute of play when Roman again found the net to post her fifth point of the game. The win brought the Cats' Big East record to 1-1.

"We started off slowly," said forward Amy Poplawski. "Then we picked it up, started putting passes together and working well as a team."

Villanova headed to Virginia last weekend and faced a tough non-conference opponent in George Washington. The first half was indicative of the whole game, as play went back and forth with a goal for each team. Villanova knotted the score at 1-1 when junior midfielder Molly Bushman found Kathleen Roman, who rifled a shot from the far left side of the penalty box to register her third goal of the season.

The second half saw George Washington regain the lead, 2-1, at the 47 minute mark, but the Cats charged right back one minute later when forward Maura McGhee controlled a cross from co-captain Debbie Pickrel and deposited it in the net. The next 10 minutes saw 'Nova pressure the GW goaltender and it finally paid off when freshman Erica Rauchut found Roman for her second goal of the game, giving Villanova the lead. The lead lasted for almost 20 minutes until George Washington scored with under 10 minutes left in the contest.

The game looked like it might be headed to overtime, but Maura McGhee would not let that happen as she fired a shot into the net with two and a half minutes remaining. The Cats held on for a 4-3 victory.

"It all came down to who had more heart," said Roman. "We battled it out and came away with the win."

Head Coach Shelly Chamberlain's team stayed in Virginia for a game Saturday with Virginia, but the grueling George Washington game may have played a factor.

The Cats were unable to keep up with the extremely fast No. 8 Cavaliers. The Wildcats struggled all game and they were unable to pull off the upset.

Seniors Kara Stanislawczyk and Roman were named to the All-Tournament team for their fine performances over the weekend.

Today, the Cats are headed to Rutgers for a game against Wake Forest and one against Maine tomorrow. They are looking to continue their fine play as they forge on in their quest for an NCAA tournament bid.

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

The women's soccer team romped the nation's capital, beating Georgetown and George Washington. It lost, however, to top-ranked Virginia.

S P O R T S

No. 18 Wildcats blank Blue Hens

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats faced a tough test early in the season when then No. 4 Delaware came to the Main Line last Saturday. The Cats passed the test, suffocating the Blue Hens 27-0 in front of 12,079 fans at Villanova Stadium.

The victory over Delaware, the defending Yankee Conference champion that had won 12 consecutive conference games, would be Villanova's biggest in recent memory. It was the first time in the last seven meetings that 'Nova would defeat Delaware. Even more impressive was the fact that Villanova was the first team to shut out Delaware since 1983, a total of 145 games.

"This [win] is probably as sweet as we've ever had," remarked Head Coach Andy Talley with a game ball in one hand and victory cigar in the other. "We've had some great wins, but it's been a long time. It makes the statement that Villanova's back and playing football again."

Unlike the past two weeks in which Villanova's explosive offense was in the spotlight, the defense emerged as the key to victory against the Blue Hens. The Wildcats had all the answers in defending Delaware's trademark Wing-T offense, which had led the Yankee conference in numerous offensive categories last year and demolished Lehigh a week before, collecting 49 points and 440 yards of total offense.

"[Villanova] defended well," said Delaware's talented quarterback Leo Hamlett. "They did a lot of things we weren't expecting and they executed well."

Villanova stymied virtually everything that Delaware's explosive offense tried to do. For the day, Villanova held Delaware to 229 yards with only 78 coming from the Blue Hens' triple-threat running game. The defense was also able to keep the ball out of the hands of the Delaware offense, allowing it to have control of the ball for 55 of 136 plays and a little less than 23 minutes. Part of the reason for Villanova's ball control was the defense's ability to make the big play, forcing Delaware to go 2 of 11 on third-down conversions.

The 'Nova defense also came away with some key turnovers (two interceptions and four fumbles), with defensive back Deon Jackson collecting one fumble and one interception that set up a fourth-quarter touchdown.

"We stressed making big plays all week," said Jackson. "The coaches got us prepared, and we went out and did it."

The biggest turnover, however, came in the third quarter. With the score at 13-0, Delaware was at the Villanova 1-yard line and poised to cut the lead in half. On second and goal Delaware halfback Norman Coleman carried the ball around the left end, only to be met by Villanova lineman Nate McIntyre, who tackled Coleman and forced him to cough up the ball. Villanova safety Shannon Riley was there to jump on the fumble.

"I was fortunate to be in the right place at the right time," said Riley, a native of Newark, Del., home of the Blue Hens. "I saw the ball and jumped on it."

The only other time Delaware was able to get inside Villanova's 30-yard line, Riley blocked a 27-yard field goal attempt, preserving the Wildcat shutout. Villanova's special teams also blocked a Delaware punt.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

VU--Park 1 run (Kiefer kick)

VU--Kiefer 41 field goal

Fourth Quarter

VU--Dolbin 34 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)

VU--Golemi 1 run (Kiefer kick)

"We committed every sin that you can commit," Delaware Head Coach Tubby Raymond said. "We ran into an immovable object and an irresistible force, and it was the worst game we've played in years."

Offensively, Villanova quarterback Clint Park once again looked poised in the pocket, connecting on 23 of 33 passes for 190 yards and one touchdown.

The offense was able to control the ball for a little over 37 minutes of the game, often capitalizing on Delaware's miscues.

"Delaware turned the ball over and that was to our advantage," said Talley.

The Villanova offense struck on its first possession of the game. After the Wildcat defense forced the Blue Hens to punt to open the contest, the Wildcat offense traveled 74 yards in 4:57 on 13 plays, culminating in a 1-yard touchdown run by Park.

Villanova would then go on to score two more times in the first half, both tallies set up by defensive plays. With a minute and a half to go in the first quarter, linebacker Jason Gattuso forced a fumble leading to a 10-0 Villanova lead.

Three more points came when defensive tackle Jason Tenner forced Delaware to put the ball on the ground with 18 seconds left in the quarter.

The two field goals by Mark Kiefer, who has hit 12 in a row dating back to last year, gave the Wildcats a 13-0 lead heading into the locker room.

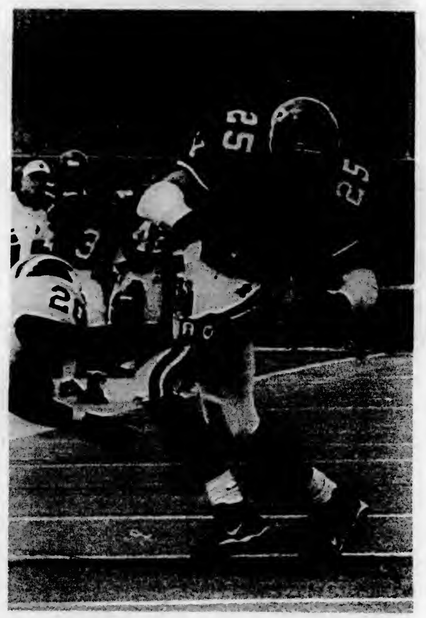
'Nova would come out in the second half and collect three more turnovers leading to another touchdown. The Jackson interception in the fourth quarter set up a beautiful 34-yard touchdown pass from Park to Josh Dolbin, giving Villanova a comfortable 20-point lead with 10 minutes left to play.

For the game, Dolbin collected 88 yards on eight catches.

'Nova would put the game well out of reach when running back Todd Golemi scored from two yards out with 3:33 left in the game.

"I'd rather be lucky than good and I think today we were lucky but we were also good," said Talley.

The win over Delaware has pushed Villanova into the 1-AA national rankings at No. 18. It is the first time 'Nova has been ranked in four years.



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Villanova All-America candidate Brian Finneran takes a defender with him en route to a Wildcat romp.

Football team lacking student support

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

The Villanova football team captured its biggest victory in years last Saturday, a 27-0 thrashing of archrival Delaware. Maybe you were at the game, but more than likely you were not. Only 1,100 students attended the game, and this total is considered to be a vast improvement over recent years. Those students in attendance were attentive but relatively quiet, yet still loud enough for the team's coaches and players to consider it a marked improvement. The attendance and noise level are both minuscule, however, in comparison to the crowd support provided at basketball games. There are some obvious reasons for this, such as the basketball team's high profile. But the student support of the football team still leaves a lot to be desired.

Athletic Director Gene DeFilippo is very pleased with the progress that has been made this season.

"I think that for the first game this year the student attendance was very good," DeFilippo said. "It was loud in their section. I thought that they came out and had a good time."

While this may be a good starting point, Head Football Coach Andy Talley believes that there is still a long way to go.

"Frankly, student support has been disappointing," Talley said. "It's been frustrating for our players, too. We really don't have a home field advantage. To have our students out there, and I think we had a pretty good group out there [for Delaware], was kind of neat. It was nice to have someone cheering for you."

While he is satisfied with this season's attendance, DeFilippo agrees that more can be done.

"I would like to see all the students come out for the football games," DeFilippo said. "So I think that there's room for improvement. But by the same token, I want to say that the Villanova students have been absolutely wonderful in their support of all of our athletic programs."

The football team has fallen on hard times in the last three years after previously being considered a perennial playoff contender. The players, administration and coaching staff all acknowledge that the team's 11-22 record over that time span would tend to keep people away.

"In recent years we haven't played too well," said junior tailback Curtis Sifford. "I probably wouldn't come out to see a team that wasn't winning."

The bad weather in recent years is another reason that DeFilippo cited for the low attendance numbers. Attendance last season was down about 3,000 fans per home game.

"Last year was not a fair indicator because it rained every day," DeFilippo said. "It hurt all of our crowds."

The general feeling among the students interviewed was that they still enjoy attending the games, regardless of the weather. While one sophomore mentioned that he had yet to attend a game, most have gone to the games and have thoroughly enjoyed themselves, win or lose.

Every student that I talked to did agree on one thing: They would be more likely to get involved in support of the football team if the students were allowed to tailgate.

"Tailgating would totally enhance the whole experience," one student commented.

"You need something else for the football games," another student added. "It's not like basketball where there's constant excitement on every play. With tailgating it would be just like the big-time environment that you see on TV."

Unfortunately for the students, the administration does not consider reinstating student tailgating a feasible option. Student tailgating at the University has been prohibited since a few years after the football program was brought back in 1985.

"Over time, one of the things that led to the demise of football was tailgating," said the Dean of Student Affairs, Fr. Stack, O.S.A. "Realistically, what we had was a lot of underage people getting intoxicated at the same time we're spending all this money to put on a football program."

"Young people are fans of a good time and a good party," Stack added. "Every once and a while that happens to be something that's at a football game. The kids here are more fans of the tailgating than of the football."

Stack cited the legal ramifications of sanctioning underage drinking on University property. He mentioned that the University does not have the money in the bank that a large state school such as Penn State does to pay lawsuits. He also mentioned that there was a problem with students tailgating and never actually attending the game.

"If they all went into the stadium and sat there for three hours, watched

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Wildcat running back Curtis Sifford eludes two Blue Hen defenders. Sifford's efforts on the ground helped the Wildcat offense control the ball for most of the game.

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Parents' Weekend welcomes families with fun and games

By TARA McCONNON
Staff Reporter

This past weekend, Sept. 20-22, marked the University's annual Parents' Weekend. For many students, this was the first opportunity since the opening of the semester for parents and students to see each other and to spend some quality time together.

For many freshmen, Parents' Weekend eased the transition into college life. Parents' Weekend made some less homesick. "It was nice to see my parents so early in the semester," said Lora Johanson, a freshman in the Villanova Experience program.

Many students were accompanied by their parents to classes on Friday afternoon where they were able to meet their son or daughter's professors and to sample some of the courses that they are taking.

To welcome the parents officially, an informal reception was held in the Connelly Center. During this event, students and parents were able to talk with other families about the University as well as the upcoming weekend. Hors d'oeuvres and other light refreshments were served, while musical entertainment was available in the Belle Air Nightclub.

The Rev. Edmund Dobbin, O.S.A., the University's president, addressed the parents on Saturday morning, and was followed by various academic receptions and presentations.

A new Parents' Weekend attraction, a carnival in the Connelly Plaza, was among the most well attended events during the weekend.

Various "roving artists" were on hand to greet parents and students with magic tricks and juggling acts. There were also caricaturists and musical entertainment present.

Campus trolley tours, provided by the Blue Key Society, departed from the Sheehan/Sullivan Quad every half-hour on Saturday afternoon. Members of the Blue Key Society also worked at the many set-up information booths on campus, distributing schedules and maps and giving directions.

A career forum more directly involved the parents in the weekends' activities by allowing them to make presentations on their career experiences. Among the panel topics were finance, engineering, law and medicine.

Other Parents' Weekend activities included the football game against Fordham University in which the Wildcats defeated the Rams 49-10 and the various Music Activities organizations hosted a well-attended performance in St. Mary's Hall on Friday night.

The weekend came to a close with an all-you-can-eat brunch buffet prepared by Connelly Center Catering and a Sunday Mass, planned by Campus Ministry and celebrated by Dobbin, was held in the duPont Pavilion.

The enjoyment of Parents' Weekend can be attributed to the diligence with which the student committee worked under the direction of Randy Farmer, director of Student Development. The committee began planning the activities last spring and met often throughout the summer.

The assistant director of Student Development, Tom Mogan, said of Parents' Weekend, "It was a huge success. The weather really helped us out."

The other students on the committee were Maggie Bradley and Jennifer O'Boyle of the Campus Activities Team and Ingrid Vonberg of the Blue Key society.

Students enjoyed a variety of events at this past Parents' Weekend. Other organizations are also responsible for this success, namely Public Safety and Villanova Dining Services.

PHOTO BY AMY DRAKE

Students and their families enjoyed a variety of events at this past Parents' Weekend.

Date-rape drug appears on campus

By CLAIRE REHWINKEL
News Editor

The University's Center for Drug and Alcohol assistance has recently reported several instances of sexual assault due to Rohypnol poisoning at Villanova. Rohypnol is a powerful sleeping pill otherwise known as the "date-rape drug."

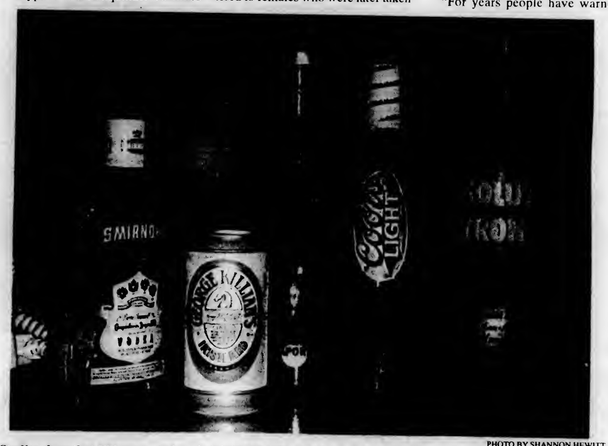
The Center's director, Jan Janosik, said, "We are concerned because we believe that students have been given the drug in party situations." Rohypnol is a tranquilizer 10 times more potent than Valium. It causes temporary amnesia, impaired motor skills and muscle relaxation. Oftentimes, Rohypnol is given to females with intentions of sexual assault. Rohypnol's effects are so intoxicating that victims frequently have no say or recollection in what happens to them, Janosik said.

Roofers, roofs, rupees and rochies are all street names for Rohypnol. "The drug was first reported five or six years ago at the University of Florida where the drug was administered to females who were later taken advantage of," said Janosik. "The drug is relatively inexpensive. It usually sells from $3-5 a pill," she added. The drug which is imported from Mexico.

Rohypnol is tasteless, odorless and comes in the form of a pill or in powder. "It can be placed in the victims food or drink without them even knowing it," said Janosik. Sedation occurs 20-30 minutes after ingestion and the effects last anywhere from six to eight hours. Rohypnol intensifies any effects of alcohol or drugs in the victim's system, said Janosik.

"For years people have warned against setting your drinks down at a party," said Janosik, recalling warnings against LSD and other hallucinogens. "The scary thing about Rohypnol is that it can be placed in food as well as in drinks," she added.

"We don't want to scare people," said Janosik. "We just want to caution people that it [Rohypnol] is out there," she added. "It is rare if less than two or three incidents of sexual assault are reported each year [at Villanova]. Rohypnol just makes the problem a whole lot worse," said Janosik.



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Studies show that Villanova students' drinking habits are above the national norm.

Alcohol misuse found to affect students' lives

By CLAIRE REHWINKEL
News Editor

The recent publication of the University's Task Force Report on above-average alcohol abuse by students has sparked much concern among community members and emphasized a need to combat norms that accept excessive substance use and that negatively effect the lives of many students.

"The norm here is too much tolerance. It's not healthy," said Richard A. Neville, vice president of Student Life. "We need to change this norm. You don't want to say some behavior is okay if it negatively effects the community. We need to get to the point where students confront each other and stop accepting this abusive behavior."

Concern over the issue has stemmed from alarmingly high statistics, comparing the drinking habits of Villanova University students to other college students across the nation. The survey suggested that the "social atmosphere on campus promotes drinking" and that "unequivocally, most students view drinking as central to the social life of students." Furthermore, it was concluded that students' misuse of alcohol interferes with the overall University environment.

"Alcohol most definitely has a detrimental effect [on students]," said Janice Janosik, director of the University's Center for Alcohol and Drug Assistance. "We're seeing too many instances of students' days turning into nights and nights turning into days," said Janosik.

As a result, many students have missed classes due to hangovers and/or failed to complete assignments on time, she said. "Most faculty members tend to be pretty naive about the problem," said Neville. "Professors need to stop thinking this [dealing with alcohol issues] isn't part of their duties," he added.

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EDITORIALS

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FEATURES

All you hooligans out there had better watch out. Our fine men in the honored blue uniforms of Public Safety have teamed up with those crack crime fighting officers of Radnor PD to clean up the viscious streets of Villanova and keep everyone safe from the demon alcohol. Also, find out what you can do about the Freshman 15.

ENTERTAINMENT

It's no Nova Fest, but College Fest has some fun to offer. And if the Connelly Art Gallery hasn't filled your thirst for art, check out the Philadelphia Museum of Art. There's no cart made out of popsicle sticks, but that Cezanne guy ain't too shabby. If the earliest reservations you can get for the Spit aren't until spring, check out Eating On the Main Line this week. The only problem is apparently Entertainment's run out of restaurants on the Main Line, so they had to go to the mean streets of Bala Cynwyd.

SPORTS

The V-Cats are still on a roll. They crushed that mighty powerhouse of football, Fordham, last Saturday. This week, they're heading down Route 30 to take on the Baldwin School's J.V. team. For all of you out there who have been calling the office asking, "Who do Fire and Ice think is going to win the Cy Young this year," we've got your answer.

VFC aims to end female stereotypes

By LAURA HALASA
Staff Reporter

Although they are in the beginning stages of development, a small coalition exists which is trying to change the name of feminism on campus, known as the Villanova Feminist Coalition (VFC).

This small team of students serves not only as an informational tool, educating students and faculty about the existing gender issues on campus, but as a support group to those who feel the effects of inequality as well.

The VFC aims at breaking down the negatively, fundamental stereotypes of feminism and focuses on opening the University up to new, positive perspectives concerning gender issues. Fighting for equality is important to the coalition, but educating and opening the campus up to new ideas and perspectives on gender is the coalition's main goal.

Although each member of the VFC defines feminism differently, one fact is certain: the VFC wants to change the feminist stereotype on campus. Accordingto the VFC, many view feminism in a radical way and think that in order to be a feminist, one must separate herself from all men and follow a lesbian sexual orientation. The majority of feminists do not follow these lifestyles. VFC member Diane Hansen saidthat one "cannot define such a large movement with one specific definition. There are extremes in each and every social group."

Hansen believes that feminism is a struggle not just for the rights of women but a struggle to attain the respect that goes along with women's rights. Without respect, Hansen feels that women cannot utilize and enjoy their rights as equal human-beings. "Women are the focal point of our group," said Hansen, "but we are basically a support group of people with a common goal--to eliminate sexism and any other kind of wrong-doing on campus not only with women but with others as well. We want to make Villanova less afraid of feminists' bad name and strive to be inclusive to all. Sexism is a two-way street and our group is not exclusive of men; men can be feminists as well. Everybody adds to the existing structures of sexism, not just women."

With one meeting under itsbelt this semester, the VFC is in the early stages of preparing for an eventful year which will make gender issues a priority on campus. Along with mass advertising to arouse campus interest, the VFC plans to send different members to the dorms to speak about gender discrimination. There are various fundraisers and clothes drives held to benefit battered women. During Women's History Month, the coalition gives daily, short, public speeches about prominent women in the history of the world. Also, the VFC holds its annual "Take Back the Night" March in April which emphasizes violence women have had to endure due to sexism including battery, discrimination, and rape. The VFC is also hoping to link the University's Counseling Center with the coalition, in order to establish a type of referral system in which victims of sexism can seek professional help and counseling to deal with their situations. The VFC has not formulated a definite schedule for the rest of the year, but the members are dedicated to making the coalition a powerful and well-known force on campus. The coalition wants to help women feel safe on campus. This includes educating and relating to the student-body the amount of actual date-rapes and acquaintance rapes that occur on campus and that rape and death are no laughing matters.

The VFC is open to all views and is hoping to bring not only females but males together as well in the fight for gender equality. The VFC encourages all those who are interested in addressing gender equality issues because, as Hansen believes, the coalition "needs to exist and we all need to work together as long as there is any oppression, whether that oppression be sexist, cultural, or racist."

Lower Merion Township crackdown creates student housing problems

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Assistant News Editor

Due to zoning laws in the Lower Merion Township, Villanova students have been notified and evicted from their residences in Bryn Mawr and Ardmore due to the law of no more than three unrelated people to a residence.

Landlords of residences on Thomas Avenue are in the process of being sued. Dan and Patricia Hemcher and Howard and Deborah Reinhardt have been ordered to clear out all five students living in their Bryn Mawr rental house.

According to *the Suburban and Wayne Times* on Sept. 19, the move is the latest in an enhanced effort to eliminate over-crowded rental houses in the township as the school year begins- especially in the older sections of Bryn Mawr and Ardmore.

"We're going to be a little more aggressive this year because of the problem that apparently is being ignored by both the landlords and students. We're just going to crack down on them, "said Township Zoning Officer Robert Duncan.

He claimed he has already sent out six other citations to landlords of suspected illegal students' homes - all on or around Thomas Avenue- and is awaiting their response within 30 days.

"We start filing actions in court when we see the same properties turn out with the same type of problem each year," he said.

Bryn Mawr Civic Association President Hank Wilson said he hopes that he is making an example out of the Hemcher property at 26 Thomas Avenue, and as a result other absent or non-responsive landlords will take more care of their properties, ensuring they comply with the township law.

Hemcher manages the rental house on Thomas Avenue and insisted that no more than three students live in the house when he was brought in front of the township zoning hearing board at the beginning of this month to contest a cease-and-desist order.

Duncan said if the zoning hearing board ruled against Hemcher's appeal, it could help make the township's case in county court.

Duncan said he inspected the house in October, 1995, and this past May, each time finding proof that at least five tenants resided in Hemcher property. The township law allows only three unrelated people in one house.

Neighbors have complained for years about noise, parties, trash and parking shortages all deriving from houses like the Hemcher property.

Both University and Rosemont College students reportedly have lived in the house at one time or another ever since Hemcher bought the five-bedroom home in 1979 with his wife, sister and brother-in-law.

Hemcher argued against neighbors' claims that he had received complaints about the house or its tenants in recent years earlier this month.

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Books 'n Hoops camp aids Philly youth

By COLLEEN CASEY
Staff Reporter

Each July Campus Ministry in conjunction with the University conducts a week-long overnight camp, called Books 'n Hoops, for Philadelphia high school students to learn about themselves through the game of basketball.

Founded in 1993 by the Rev. Edward Hastings O.S.A., Books 'n Hoops provides campers from different regions of Philadelphia with an academic and athletic experience. According to Hastings, "Basketball is the hook to make the kids come out and do academic things."

Every morning, the campers receive instructions by Villanova faculty and staff. In the afternoons, the campers learn basketball skills from former and current college and NBA coaches. During the evenings, the campers attend developmental classes where they discuss issues such as racism, sexuality, drug and alcohol awareness and current events.

According to Hastings, one of the best aspects of the program is the contact the campers have with their counselors. University students and alumni volunteer their time to live with and coach the campers.

A new spin-off program from the Books 'n Hoops camp is the Mentor Program. Becky Coccio, a Villanova alumna, is the coordinator for the Books 'n Hoops Mentor Program. She said, "The Mentor Program is designed as a follow through on the camp." Coccio added, "The goal is to have more long term exposure for the kids and students."

Hastings said, "I think it is important for Villanova University to reach out to people who may not have the educational opportunities that others may have." He added, "Books 'n Hoops attempts to address the needs of the whole person by giving the opportunity to develop emotionally, physically, intellectually and spiritually."

Student alcohol use

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The negative effects of alcohol go well beyond the classroom. "We see the impacts of drinking on dorm vandalism, hospital incidents, sexual assaults and other violence," said Janosik.

The University is attempting to challenge these "norms" through new Homecoming programs, extended alcohol-free events on campus during weekends and by implementing more service activities "to put the focus on helping people rather than getting drunk," said Neville. To questions of whether or not such programs are actually working in bringing the survey's numbers down Neville said, "We're trying. It's basically trial and error now, until we discover what works."

"Students are influenced by their classes and by other students," said Neville. "Unfortunately classes don't influence alcohol. This is why it is important for students to influence each other in positive ways," he said. Janosik said, "Students need to be the ones involved in the corrective process. Students need to say 'hey, alcohol is having a negative effect on you.' Students need to become more aware of themselves."

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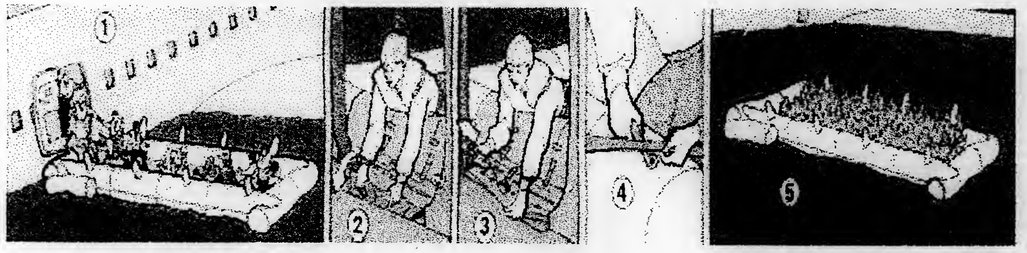

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Dinner:	**Monday- Friday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
4:30-7:00		4:30-7:30	4:30-6:45
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Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
10:45-1:15		11:30-1:30	10:45-1:15
Dinner:	**Saturday & Sunday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
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		Dinner	**3:00 pm - 6:00 pm**
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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Latest Homecoming plans still miss the mark

Plans for Homecoming just keep getting better and better.

The original plan to herd everyone but seniors and alumni onto Mendel Field and to quarantine them from all the Homecoming revelry has been scrapped.

After supposedly planning the events since before the summer, some members of the Homecoming Committee have finally realized that there are logistical and attendance problems associated with these events designed to give underclassmen loads and loads of fun.

First of all, no one considered consulting with CAT as to how difficult it would be to book any decent band for an outdoor show in November. Secondly, it took the committee until now to figure out that, in the absence of any real entertainment, no one is going to spend the afternoon of Homecoming standing in Mendel Field.

Now that the committee has received this epiphany, it has decided that the best way to handle these problems is to ignore the underclassmen altogether. Because of the committee's secrecy and poor planning, Homecoming will be no different than any other weekend for 75 percent of the students on this campus. Instead of having a system that separates the community, we now have a system that treats much of the community as non-existent. That is just plain wrong, and given that the event is little more than one month away, not much can be done to remedy this nonsense. But one possible solution might be to put the focus of Homecoming on the Homecoming game.

It is reprehensible that the day's only activity is scheduled during the football game. Why give alumni and seniors an incentive to stay away from this athletic event?

Instead, considering the quality of this year's Wildcat squad, the University should be encouraging the entire community to support our team. After several dismal seasons, we have a squad that is both exciting and successful.

An organized tailgate, including food and entertainment, held before the game in the area around the stadium might be a starting point. Do not sell alcohol at these events and make sure Public Safety does its job of restricting consumption of alcohol brought to the tailgate to those who are of age. While there is no way to enforce this totally, with enough effort, a reasonable job can be done, and the University will be able to celebrate Homecoming like a true community.

'Novan Poll

Does the student body support the football team adequately?

What should be done to improve student support?

Does having Homecoming festivities during the game discourage attendence at the game?

E-mail responses to "poll@villanovan.vill.edu"

L E T T E R S

Professor presents different philosophy of marriage

To the Editor:

My "philosopher's soul" dictates that postulates are never to be proven by analogy. Therefore I reject Polk's slavery analogy out of hand.

It's a shame that argument by analogy always seem to devolve into a comparison of apples to oranges. Danne Polk may be a very brave part-time member of the philosophy department but bravery does not necessarily equate to wisdom. In this instance he falls far short of the goal of being a lover of, and at one with, wisdom; hopefully he is yet a seeker of wisdom.

There are many kinds of intense, non-conjugal, bonding arrangements. I admit to one with my cat, Miss Kitty. After all she is more intelligent than most humans I've encountered. On the human level many of us faculty have had intense, non-conjugal bonding relationships such as those with our mentors and some of us have had them with our "mentorees". No matter how intense these relationships all of them must be characterized as friendships in the final analysis. Marriage, presumably reserved only to humans, is the most special kind of friendship and the only intense conjugal bonding friendship extant. There must be a reason for this unique institution to exist and there is. It is to guarantee the survival of the potential family and therefore the survival of the human race. This is no institution of "compulsive functionality of body parts".

It is an institution of loving conjugal union, with the potential for children to love, nurture, teach and protect into their adulthood so that the cycle may continue and so that the human race may endure.

John Cawley
Chemistry

Respect for all political views is important

To the Editor:

Monday, Sept. 16:
10:58 a.m.: liberal-pinko-commie is observed purchasing scotch tape at Staples, using his own money.
1:23 p.m.: liberal-pinko-commie is observed printing poster for Democratic Socialists of America, of which he is president, at Mendel computer lab.
1:34 p.m.: liberal-pinko-commie goes to Peace and Justice Center to get poster approved.
1:48 pm: the commie goes to Copy Center to get 120 copies of poster made.

Wednesday, Sept. 18:
2:12 p.m.: Liberal-pinko-commie goes to Copy Center to pick up completed posters. He pays for posters with his own money.
8:38 p.m.: damn liberal commie begins to post posters (only in authorized areas).
10:56 p.m.: the pond scum gets in the commie-mobile and heads home.

I apologize if the above two paragraphs bored you, but I wanted to make a point: putting up posters is a thankless and time-consuming task. DSA is an officially recognized student group; as such, it has the right to post posters announcing events. Many people disagree with DSA's views - that's fine, they have the right to do so. However, they do not have the right to tear down DSA's (or any other group's) posters simply because the group has different political views.

Please do not tear down posters, as you wouldn't like it if you spent so much time putting posters up, only to have them ripped down the very next day.

Phil Mayer
Class of 1997

TV Poll Result:

The question should not be "if" a television station is possible at Villanova. It is "when." As one of the top universities in the region, we can handle and deserve to have and operating television station.

Our communications program is strong enough to support a decent station that will not only transmit information to students and the surrounding community but will offer valuable hands-on training in the communications field to majors and others who wish to dabble in the art. With motivation and determination, funds could be raised and support given to begin this project that could bring VU further into the 20th century.

Beth DiBiase
Class of 1999

Library ensures future security

To the Editor:

The privacy and security of our users' records have always been a top priority for the library. Therefore, I was dismayed to learn that a previous semester's list of students with social security numbers had been recycled as "note paper." The paper has been removed and measures have been taken to insure future lists and any other papers with sensitive information will be shredded. I appreciate that Jennifer Goldberg made us aware of our lapse.

Louise Green
Assistant Director
Public Services
Falvey Memorial Library

Letters

***The Villanovan** encourages all members of the University community to express opinions through "Letters to the Editor." **The Villanovan** will print "Letters" received in its office in 201 Dougherty Hall prior to the weekly deadline, Tuesday at 2 p.m. All letters must be signed and include address, phone number and social security number. All letters must be typed and double spaced. **The Villanovan** reserves the right to edit all letters. Letters will be accepted via E-mail at the address "editor@villanovan. vill.edu." Letters may also be sent by mail to **The Villanovan**, Villanova University, Villanova, Pa. 19085.*

C O M M E N T A R Y

Abortion pill underscores America's darkest side

By JOE PATTERSON

On Sept. 18, the Food and Drug Administration gave a major go-ahead to the abortion pill, RU-486. Truly, it was a day when the dark clouds over America became darker.

While ignorance surrounds much of the discussion about the abortion pill, the point of this article is not to detail the specifics of how the pill works. It should be mentioned, though, that the approved regimen will probably require three visits to the doctor over a two-week period. Furthermore, there are serious medical considerations involving the sometimes life-threatening side effects. Of course, in this respect, it is no different than surgical abortion.

Suffice to say, the procedure is more complicated than popping aspirin.

Obviously, though, we've come along way in 20 years. *Roe v. Wade* was decided in favor of a gang-rape victim's desire to procure a legal abortion. Now, for all intents and purposes, abortion is legal on demand at any time for any reason. And soon, abortions will be peddled in bottles.

In 1973, the Supreme Court probably didn't realize it was giving birth to a $400 billion a year abortion industry. But then again, the Supreme Court didn't seem to consider a lot of obvious concepts. For one, it admitted it could not resolve the issue of when "life" begins and refused to rule out the possibility that life might begin at conception. If the Court cannot decide whether the unborn child is a "living" being, it certainly has forfeited the right to make a judgment as to whether or not the child's existence can be ended legally. It is fundamentally wrong to admit that an unborn child may be deserving of Constitutional protection and, in the same line of reasoning, deny that protection. If there is any doubt, it seems obvious to "err" on the safe side.

The Patterson Perspective

Instead, the unborn child is treated as no more than an inconvenient outgrowth of the mother. Never mind that only age and location separate us from when we were in the womb. Never mind that we have the exact same genetic makeup now as when we were conceived. And never mind that we have grown so self-involved that we will deny fellow members of the human race a similar fate as our own.

Murder is wrong because it denies a person his future, full of joys, despairs, hopes and pains. Abortion does the exact same to the unborn child.

Clearly, the issue involves age discrimination. The lives of those that hinder our enjoyment or impede our self fulfillment can be legally snuffed out based solely on the fact that they are young and reside in the "protective" residence of their mother. Those that warn against the "slippery slope" are not kooks; they simply carry this logic to the other end of the age spectrum. Many of the elderly pose inconveniences and survive in the protective residences of hospices and retirement homes. And unlike the unborn, they may never cease to be a "drain" on society. Will the dark clouds that have enveloped the silent unborn also engulf those with weak voices?

In 1993, Clinton reversed President Bush's ban on RU-486. In 1996, he vetoed the partial-birth abortion ban. Unfortunately, Clinton's pro-abortion stance is one of the only issues that he has not waffled on.

Polling data show that the majority of Americans would like restrictions placed upon abortion that would limit the procedure to those cases where the mother's life is in danger or in the cases of rape or incest. Even Planned Parenthood admits that these scenarios account for only about three percent of the nation's abortions. And yet, while he pledges allegiance to every other poll, Mr. Clinton has rigorously pursued a radical pro-abortion policy.

And what does this abortion culture engender?

Clearly, we, as a nation, have placed ultimate trust in technological advances. We embrace the latest effort-saving device, refusing to discern the true implications. Without proper moral guidance, sciencetific knowledge can be tragically misapplied, whether it be in the form of a nuclear holocaust, chemical warfare or in the gas chambers of the Holocaust.

Abortion is certainly such a misapplication.

We have attempted to solve irresponsible behavior with more irresponsible behavior, decreasing a basic respect for life in the process. Indeed, illegitimacy rates have skyrocketed, as has violent crime. Certainly, many other influences have contributed to such increases, but abortion definitely does not engender the healthy respect for the sexual act and the respect for life that is necessary to help keep those problems in check.

Whether it be done with a pill, a vacuum or a knife, abortion has not cured the ills of American society. Instead, we have lost a certain amount of idealism and we have shook the foundations of our most basic rights.

And in the process, we have legally snuffed out over 30 million lives.

Perot provides political pizazz

By MARC ANGELACCIO

In a campaign year in which there hasn't been too much to discuss, the gods have finally heard my prayers and sent the little man from Texas to stir things up a bit. That's right. He's finally decided to show up and jump into the ring with his competitors.

Reform Party candidate Ross Perot, who in 1992 captured 19 percent of the popular vote for the presidency and, in so doing, showed that any lunatic out of the asylum can come close to winning the heart (and mind) of a country, finally decided to raise his voice after the committee of Republicans and Democrats in charge of the up-coming debates told him he wasn't popular enough for consideration.

Every four years, the argument as who should be considered as a bona fide candidate for the presidency, especially when it comes to third-party candidates like Perot, rages when it is time for the presidential debates. More often than not, the third party candidates are left outside of the bi-party decision making and, thus, are excluded from the debates.

Four years ago, Perot just happened to sneak into the debate picture and threw a wrench into the greasy gears of the bi-party system, stealing valuable votes from the major-party candidates, particularly the Republicans. So, this year, instead of making the same political mistake for a second time, the Democrats and particularly the Republicans decided that they wouldn't invite Perot to play with them.

Granted, Perot's popularity this time around is not as strong—between five and eight percent in the opinion polls. Perot's political strength, however, is large enough to have an effect on the presidential race, even though he may not have the strength to win it. For this reason alone he should be allowed to participate in the debate. Plus, what better way is there to resuscitate this lackluster race than to allow a non-political, quirky guy with big ears, a high-pitched voice and a down-home accent to exchange punches with two refined, political heavyweights on national television? It would be like watching Speedy Gonzalez take on Sylvester the Cat.

On the Marc

Sylvester and his Republican counterparts, however, are unwilling to step into the ring with Speedy. They're too afraid of him. The already stumbling Dole is scared that a right hook from Perot might knock him out of the contest for good. The Republicans saw how Perot knock George Bush to the canvas a couple of years ago, and they won't let it happen to their candidate again.

Of course, they won't tell you they're scared. They'll say something like Perot doesn't have the popularity to warrant a showing. All they really want to do, however, is cut out any inference that Dole might encounter in narrowing the gap between him and Clinton.

But now Perot's calling them out. After Perot heard the committees' decision, he decided to do the only thing any American would do: take them to court. He decided if he can't fight them inside the ring, he'll fight them in the streets. If he can't fight them on the nationally-televised debates, he'll fight them through the advertising circuits and the cirucit courts.

It's just this negative press that might hurt Dole and his comrades more in the long run than allowing Perot to participate in the debate. If there is anything in this country that stirs negative publicity for a candidate, it is cowardice, that is, the unwillingness of a candidate to go head-to-head with his or her opponents. This is just the image that Perot is painting, saying of Dole on NBC's *Meet the Press*, "Here's a guy who's supposed to be a war hero. You'd think he'd be able to stand up and talk to another person. But he can't." For an already faltering Dole, these words may be the upper cut that knocks him out for good.

More prisons create more problems

By TOM ARVANITES

As a criminologist and someone interested in politics, I was eager to listen to candidate Dole's anti-crime initiative. Considering that Clinton enjoys a double digit lead in most polls, I thought Dole might announce some new and exciting plan to jump-start his campaign. It was humorous to hear that "criminals cause crime" and that "drug use and violent crime are bad," but it was not funny to hear him call for more money to be spent on the same ineffective responses to drugs and crime. Who would argue with reducing drug use by 50 percent? The question is how? More prisons? Longer sentences? The National Guard patrolling the nation's borders and airports?

Dole's solution is to build more prisons so that we can incarcerate more people for longer periods of time. The reality is that between 1993 and 1994, the number of people incarcerated in state and federal prisons increased from 970,444 to 1,053,738 (this does not include the approximately 500,000 people in city and county jails). This is an increase of 83,294. Even if we "double bunk" these inmates, the U.S. would need to construct 800 prison cells per week to house these new inmates. Prison cells cost between $50,000 and $75,000 each (this is not a typo) and $15,000 to $30,000 per year to maintain. I did not hear candidate Dole explain where this money will come from. How will he cut taxes 15 percent and still "double federal money for state prison" construction?

In Pennsylvania, Governor Ridge offers the same rhetoric. He cites "failing schools" as a reason for crime. He is quite correct about the relationship between inadequate education and employment opportunities and crime. What is ironic is that his actions do not match his rhetoric. His last budget froze the state subsidy for basic education and cut aid to private colleges while increasing prison funding by $80 million (from $836 million to $916 million). Despite this rhetoric, Ridge's budget is generous to prisons while harmful to schools.

Dole, Ridge and other politicians (including Democrats) skillfully employ this rhetoric to pour additional money into prisons. For example, by referring to the fear that women experience as they walk alone at night, Dole continues to portray an inaccurate picture of crime. The reality is that victims are more likely to be assaulted, raped or murdered by someone they know than by a stranger. Although it is still too high, violent crime has decreased in each of the last two years. Unfortunately, imprisonment rates have had little to do with it. States with high incarceration rates are no more likely to have lower crime rates than states with low incarceration rates, and vice versa.

We also heard a lot of rhetoric about drug use in public housing. What about drug use on the Main Line? Many of my friends have their children in private schools because of the drug problem in public schools. When I ask VIllanova students about the difference in drug use/availability in public vs. private schools many respond that the only difference is that there are more and better drugs in private schools. One student pointed out the irony of Villanova students applauding the call to "reduce drug use" when many or her fellow students use drugs. When we speak of the drug problem, shouldn't we include alcohol abuse?

The real irony is that we talk of reducing drug use, yet we do very little to reduce the demand. Advertisers promote alcohol, illicit drug use is frequently glorified in the entertainment industry, Congress has cut funding for drug prevention programs in schools and parents often rely on the school and/or police to solve the problem.

Candidate Kemp suggested at the rally that the country needs to improve race relations. Currently, almost one in three (32 percent) African-American males are under the control of the criminal justice system. The incarceration rate of African-American males is seven times higher than that of whites. At the end of 1993, the majority of inmates (51 percent) in state prisons were African-American (versus 46 percent in 1988). What impact will this trend have on African American families or race relations?

The incapacitation and deterrence mentality ignores the "replacement" phenomenon. Once a dealer is incarcerated another one takes his/her place. The fear of punishment will not work because the new dealer thinks he is smarter than the previous dealer and/or the drug trade is the only lucrative source of income in the area. One needs only to travel to the "badlands" of North Philadelphia to witness this.

A tour of any prison today will reveal that they are crowded with people who did not have the same family life, education or economic opportunities that most of the Villanova community have had. The majority of inmates come from socially, economically and politically impoverished areas (which cultivates "moral poverty") where they engage in criminal activity despite the risk of going to prison. Most criminologists would agree with author Jack Irwin who describes the policy of building more prisons so that people will think twice before committing crime as "Voodoo Criminology."

Tom Arvanites is a faculty member of the Sociology Department.

As always, the editorial board encourages students and members of the faculty to write commentary pieces on any subject matter.

Just drop off your article by Tuesday afternoon.

L E T T E R S

Dining service is flooded with flaws

To the Editor:

What a crock! The Donahue market is a scam! The 'new and improved' meal plan, more eating sites . . . blah blah. . . more bull generated by Villanova bureaucracy in conjunction with Villanova Dining Services. Mike McGuckin, product and marketing manager for Dining Services, has the audacity to say, ". . .the market accepts meal plan points from the Wildcard. For this reason, the food points on almost every meal plan were doubled this year so students could have more selection in their selection of meals."

What bull! If flexibility and selection for students are really a concern and priority of Dining Services and of Villanova University, then why is meal plan equivalency(MPE) not accepted at Connelly Center for lunch anymore? Why is it that Bartley Cafe only has MPE from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.? That's a joke. One hour?! What happened to MPE for dinner at Bartley? Moreover, why has the food selection for dinner at the Pit become so crappy . . . that is, crappier than it was last year?

Now that I'm on a roll, how come the dining halls are closed from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (to 10:45 at the Pit) between breakfast and lunch and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. between lunch and dinner. These hours are inconvenient. If the Grill, the Italian Kitchen, and Connelly can be open all day long, why can't the dining halls? Imagine if a restaurant were to close for chunks of hours during the day. It would go out of business. Villanova Dining Services takes advantage of the fact that its paying customers (yes we do pay at the beginning of each semester) are students on a meal plan.

Why should our dining halls close at various times throughout the day just because the food bill is paid before we have been served our food? It is an outrage. If I want to eat dinner after 7:30 p.m., I am forced to decide among the Italian Kitchen, Connelly Center, and the Donahue Market, none of which accepts meal plan at this time. Which brings me to the question of why the hours of MPE must be limited at all at Connelly and Bartley. Why can't MPE be used throughout the day?

And why aren't we allowed to take our food out of the dining halls? I pay for my meal plan every semester. It's my food. I'm not stealing. Can the Villanova administration not see the foolishness of compelling a student, a person, to stand and finish eating his or her apple (substitute whatever food item you would prefer) before leaving the cafeteria? My food is not for free; it is unfair that I must eat it where Villanova dictates. And I wouldn't exactly call the food we are served a luxury. In fact, I'd be hard-pressed to call it appealing.

Why oh why is the guest price for dinner at the dining halls $8.50 but Meal Plan Equivalency only $5.25? That is blatantly unfair. It's not as if a person is going to go crazy once he or she steps foot inside one of the dining halls and eat his or her heart out, especially since the food is nothing to get excited about. This is a campus serving thousands of students and faculty.

I'm sure they buy in bulk at great discounts, and they have the nerve to charge $8.50 for a dining hall dinner and 75 cents for a bagel at Bartley, Connelly, and the Market (I'm really sore about the bagel thing).

Now what's this with Donahue not being open until 11:30 a.m. for lunch Monday through Friday and 11:30 a.m. for brunch on Saturday and Sunday. Meanwhile, Dougherty and St. Mary's Dining halls both open for lunch Monday through Friday and brunch Saturday and Sunday at 10:45, as did Donahue last year.

Obviously, Villanova realizes Donahue Market is open by 10:00 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday-- bright and early so all those kiddies a bit hungry earlier than 11:30 a.m. can squander their points at the Donahue Market. What comes after all of a students points are used, you ask? Wildcard Account of course, or if not that, then--and even better-- cash.

It's quite obvious that the University, with the structure of the meal plan and meal plan hours, wants us to use up our points and quickly move on to money.

Carolyn Hehir
Class of 1999

Dole event marred by poor accomodations

To the Editor:

Through the course of my three years at Villanova, I've heard complaints spanning from class scheduling or food prices and availability, to, of course, social life and sometimes the lack thereof. Last week, however no one waited for hours while Connelly refilled their pasta and the hardest door on the Main Line wasn't Smokes or the Pub, it was our very own Jake Nevin Field House.

As I read last week's Villanovan, the headlining article "Dole's Speech Attacks The 'Bad Boys" caught my attention. One line in particular made me think: "Twenty of those students with tickets were turned away at the door." I was one of those students, if there were even as many as 20 of us left outside, denied entrance to a building on our campus.

I woke up to get a ticket Friday morning, I waited in a line stretching across Ithan to get into Jake Nevin and I remained outside with friends after we were told, "Listen kids no one else is going in," on the odd chance that maybe the people at the door would change their minds. Despite this, it is not the utter waste of our time and the rudeness we encountered that has infuriated me, but rather the reasoning behind our denial.

My first response was to curse the University for yet another example of its lack of organization and accommodation for a school this size, but as I continued reading the article mentioned above I discovered that "the Dole/Kemp campaign did not leave the full number of seats available for University use that it had promised." In my opinion this is unfair.

John Doe local Rosemont resident could go and hear the speeches because he was able to wait on line at 10 a.m., but my peers and I? We pay a ridiculous amount of hard earned money to come to this fine University and yet we were unable to be part of this once in-a-collegian-lifetime experience because Dole and his campaign didn't want anyone to sit in the seats close to the stage.

Maybe the answers lie within Villanova's administration. Maybe the duPont Pavilion should be renamed so people will actually come to our school and find it an acceptable facility to speak in. Until these questions can be answered for future guests, I think the Dole/Kemp campaign owes me, the 19 others who had tickets and couldn't get in, and the thousands of students who never even got the chance to get tickets an apology. I am not a Republican, nor do I have an affiliation with another party, but I am a registered voter. Not only has this lack of concern for the students, for my generation, caused him to lose my vote, but also whenever I hear the word Dole I will always think of fruit.

Laura Ferguson
Class of 1998

Twenty-first birthday should reflect new maturity

By ANN GAVAGHAN

Today is my 21st birthday. Now before anyone starts asking me whether I'm going to hit Marita's or Kelly's first, you should know that I don't drink. So I won't be making the rounds of the bars, putting back my birthday shots or pounding down the beer. I've never been into drinking, and just because I've reached some randomly chosen age at which the government decides it's suddenly okay for me to drink, it doesn't mean I'm going to start. Besides, as anyone who attends Villanova can attest, the drinking age is a non-issue at Villanova. Thinking someone won't drink because they're not 21 is about as crazy as Bob Dole thinking someone won't do drugs because the government says not to.

not just another load...

So what will I do instead of the crawl? To be honest, I couldn't tell you. I know I want to mark the occasion in some big way, but the standard custom dictates a bar tour. (Of course, some would say I'm not ordinarily constrained by standard customs.) I'd throw a party, but I live in Austin. I'm sure it would be fun seeing how many people I can fit into my glorified closet of a room, but I live in a single. That means no roommates to help me pick up the mess, and I don't exactly want to spend my birthday picking clothes and papers off the floor. For a while, I was thinking of doing something drastic, like my bicep tattooed or my tongue pierced, but then I realized my mother probably wouldn't let me live to see my 22nd birthday (and I know I could get some cutesy tattoo where no one can see it, but if I'm going to pay to have a design permanently imprinted on my body, I'm damn well going to get it in a place where everyone can see my investment). It looks like I will be spending my Friday evening as I usually do, with nothing especially wild planned.

I have friends who have also made the choice not to drink. They plan to go to the bars on their 21st just to have a soda and hang out. But I've already experienced the bar scene when I've gone to see bands. It's not much fun for me. People can't understand why I like mosh pits. I happen to find it easier to deal with the aggressive, full-body contact of a mosh pit than with some long-haired drunk girl dancing around, her hair smacking my face continually. Moshing has an etiquette. Drinking doesn't. When a person is drunk, anything goes.

So I'd rather be completely anti-social and stay in my room than deal with someone who's judgement is so impaired, he or she becomes a royal pain. I get quite enough of that from sober people.

Don't get me wrong--I don't care if a person drinks or not. It's a matter of personal choice. If I expect a person to respect my choice to abstain from alcohol, then I must respect their choice to drink. However, on Villanova's campus, it's almost as if non-drinkers were ignored. Our whole culture is centered around alcohol.

This whole 21st birthday tradition is not just at Villanova, but at almost every college in the nation. It's ironic that on a day which is supposed to signify maturity and the entrance into adulthood, people celebrate by engaging in an orgy of indulgence. What is the point of having a good time if a person can't remember it the next morning? Why commemorate the occasion by consuming enough alcohol to make one vomit? How is one supposed to feel good about waking up hungover?

I cringe when people give me knowing smiles when I mention that I'm turning 21. Just because a majority of Villanovans binge drink doesn't mean all of us do. I hate the implicit assumption that just because I'm a college student, I love alcohol. But alcohol consumption is something many Villanova students probably take pride in. How many people don't have at least one, "What I Did When I Was Trashed" anecdote? I'm sure that some people who saw the results of the alcohol survey were thrilled to see that Villanova's reputation as a party school is intact. But, as one of the six percent of students that doesn't drink, I despise our obsession with alcohol. I hate the public urination, the obnoxious drunk people unable to walk home, the idiots who vomit anywhere but in the toilet and leave it for others to clean. The administration's big response to this problem thus far has come with the formation of yet another steering committee. Father Stack has that the University would sponser a cocktail hour if it would foster responsible drinking. (Frankly, I don't think the Dean of Students' T.G. will attract that many customers). But most of all, Villanova culture accepts, even expects such behavior and chalks it up to the youthful sowing of wild oats--even though alcohol abuse leads to vandalism, sexual assault, injury and death.

I'm sure I'll get the obligatory obscene phone call from drunk students who think it's fun to crank the goody-two-shoes. Someone might actually be spurred to write a letter to the editor decrying my column as extremism. (However, this campus is much too apathetic to produce many letters to the editor. It's just easier to call me names behind my back). But I don't care what type of criticism I may get from this column. Tonight it's my 21st birthday, and I'll probably have a very typical evening.

I'm sure I'll be a little disappointed. Birthdays, after all, are supposed to be special. But I'd rather be sober and miserable than drunk and incoherent. At least I'll be able to remember how I spent my 21st.

Voter registration is key to democracy

By KEVIN KLESH

It's a typical Friday night. You and your friends are siting around in your dorm room. You know you are underage and feel that there's nothing really exciting to do. Another wasted night. Then, suddenly all of you remember--you've got your fake ID's!

All ten of you pile into a Volkswagen Beetle overflowing with excitement about the task you are about to undertake. You pull up to the florescent glow of the PA State Liquor Store. Nervously, you walk up to the counter with the ID, get the goods, and whisk them back to your dorm. You move past the Public Safety Officer with caution as he eyes your backpack. Finally, in the security of your room, you burst open the sack with the utter joy of accomplishment...and distribute Absentee Ballots and Voter Registration Cards to everyone you can find!

Unfortunately, the probability of this occurring on campus ranks up there with the chance of a Tupperware party in Sullivan. However, I have to admit that I cannot truly understand why incidences of underage voting has not out paced underage drinking at Villanova. After all, it's free and much easier to pass as 18 than 21 as a young freshman.

When you vote you experience the natural high having made difference in your country. Morcover, you get to keep your brain cells and spare yourself the experience of embarrassing yourself.

Even more befuddling, statistics show that only small percentage of those college students who are eligible to vote even register. Most do not keep informed about the issues affecting their future. Even less take the initiative to voice their opinions directly to their representatives.

With this lack of initiative and participation is it any wonder that we are stereotyped as lazy, ambivalent "Generation X-ers?"

Is it any wonder that the rising costs of Cap'n Crunch gets more press than the skyrocketing college tuition situation?

Is it really shocking that college loan programs are slashed while companies are allowed to ship to India the entry-level job you could have had?

No matter what the cynics say, your vote and your voice do count. This is especially true when a group of people is organized as a coalition. The preservation of Medicare is a top priority to Democrats and Republicans in government because elderly organizations such as AARP wield much weight in elections such as the NAACP have been able to rescue such controversial programs as affirmative action through their ties to a sizable portion of the voting public. Therefore, it clearly follows that if all college students exercised their civil right of franchise, the issues that affect you daily could suddenly become central political concerns.

So what do you do after having been so enlightened? If you cannot make your midnight run to the liquor store for registration materials, do not fret. Recently reformed voter registration laws and the Political Awareness League have made the process simpler. If you are already registered to vote in your state, (pat yourself on the and then) make sure you call your county courthouse for an absentee ballot application. If you are not registered, make sure you get out to the Voter Registration Drive which will be held in Connelly Plaza next week. Federal forms which enable you to register as an on-campus voter, sign-up sheets will be at the table for a Voter Shuttle to the local polling places. Remember, your voice is only as loud as your vote.

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29 ***International Food Fest*** Presidents Lounge, Connelly Center 6:30p.m. - 8:30p.m., $2 Take your taste buds on a trip around the world! Sponsored by the Multicultural Student League	30	1 ***Performance by the Student Comedy Troupe*** Nightclub, 9p.m., FREE!	2	3 ***Eraser*** Connelly Center Cinema 7 & 10 p.m., $3 ***FUNK SHOW*** Nightclub, 9:30 p.m. Featuring: Funkface, Rhythm Republik, and 42 Main St. Deli Band, FREE! FREE!	4 ***Eraser*** Connelly Center Cinema 7 & 10 p.m., $3 ***Rockwell Church*** Acoustic Folk Rock Nightclub, 10 p.m.	5

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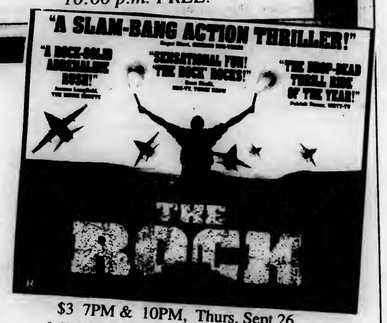

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Sept. 27

Art Exhibit
Do you like art? Today at 3:30 p.m. in SAC 103 please join us for the 1996 Student Art Exhibition. Enjoy artwork from artists found right here in sunny Villanova. Paintings, drawings, photos, and sculptures will blow your mind as jazz music blows out your eardrums. Hope to see you there!

Philosophy Lecture
Langdon Winner, professor of political science at RPI, will present a talk on "Engineering, Technology and the Postmodern Economy," on Friday, Sept. 27 at 3:30 p.m. in Tolentine 215. Sponsored by the Department of Philosophy Lecture Series, "Postmodernism and the Professions." Co-sponsored by the College of Engineering.

Sea Isle City Retreat
This intro retreat will be held from Sept. 27 - 29. This is a first level retreat for new members to the retreat program held in Sea Isle City, New Jersey. It will include talks given by students and group discussions on such topics as self, god and others. Sign up in campus ministry or call 519-4080.

Sept. 28

Cultural Film Series
The Cultural Film and Lecture Series will present the award winning Italian film *Lamerica*. There will be four screenings: Saturday, Sept 28 at 7 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 29 at 3:30 p.m and 7 p.m., and Monday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m.

Beta Duckie Race
Beta Theta Pi fraternity will hold "Rubber Duckie Race V" to benefit cerebral palsy on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 12:30 p.m. in the quad.

Sept. 29

International Fest
Take your tastebuds on a trip around the world! Come to the International Food Fest on Sunday, Sept. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the President's Lounge in Connelly Center. Experience Chinese, Korean, Indian, African-American, and Middie Eastern foods.

Sept. 30

Hip-Hop Dance Squad
Attention all dancers: there will be a meeting in St. Mary's band room on Monday night at 8 p.m. for anyone who wants to join Villanova's Hip Hop Dance Squad. There will be a demonstration of the type of dance expected. All are welcome. If you have any questions call Junadah at x9384, Brandy at x5658 or Rasheedah at x5717.

Test Prep
Improve your test performance! Dr. Reilly will offer an Exam Prep and Test-Taking Workshop this Monday, Sept. 30 from 2:30 - 3:20 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106, Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign-up is necessary.

Church Closing
Beginning on Monday, Sept. 30 and continuing through Friday, Oct. 11, St. Thomas of Villanova Church will be closed to all visitors on WEEKDAYS. This is to allow for the installation of the new pipe organ. Corr Hall Chapel will be open for meditation and prayer as usual. Confessions usually heard in the main church will be heard in Corr Chapel. Campus Ministry apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause. The church will be open on Saturdays and Sundays for the usual weekend mass schedule.

Oct. 1

FMA
Villanova's Financial Management Association will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 1. Lee Stauffer, manager of The Prudential in Southampton, PA will speak from 12:45 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Bartley 209. All new members are encouraged to attend. Membership dues for the semester ($15) will be collected.

Media Lecture
On Friday, Oct. 1 at 12:45 p.m. in Room 300 in the Saint Augustine Center Saul Zrda will give a lecture entitled "Terrorism in the Media." All are welcome. Sponsored by Communicaton Arts.

Support Group
On Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 8 p.m., the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Support Group will hold its first meeting. This meeting will be open to all sexual minorities, as well as those questioning thier sexuality. For more information, please call the hotline by dialing 96000, then mailbox # 85443

Oct. 2

Arab/Islamic Lecture
There will be a lecture entitled "The Humanitarian Crisis in Iraq" given by Mr. Michael Nahhal, Relief Aid Coordinator in Iraq, Middle East Council of Churches on Wednesday, Oct. 2 from 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. in room 300 of the St. Augustine Center. Co-sponsored by Middle East Study Group Episcopal Diocese of PA, Middle East Peace Education American Friends Service Committee and Center for Arab and Islamic Studies.

Sacramental Preparation
The sacramental preparation process will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall, lower level, Room 4. All those who desire baptism, Eucharist, or confirmation in the catholic faith are invited to sign up now in the Campus Ministry office. Questions or concerns? Call Kathy Overturf, x 97978.

SNAP
There will be a SNAP meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at 4:45 p.m. in the East Lounge of Dougherty Hall. Dr. Shartz-Hopko will discuss AIDS education.

Oct. 3

ACM
The Villanova Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) will hold its next general meeting on Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chemistry Lecture Hall in Mendel. The featured speaker will be Reid Kanaley, a columnist from the Philadelphia Inquirer. He will be speaking on how people relate to each other through computers, including online love affairs and grieving online.

Latin American Lecture
Latin American Studies Concentration and Amnesty International will present a lecture by Julia Blanca entitled "Sewing Seams in a Foreign-Owned Garment Factory in the Maquiladora District of Managua, Nicaragua." Julia will speak three times on Thursday, Oct. 3: 8:30 a.m. in Tolentine 315, 11:30 a.m. in John Barry 211 and 1:30 p.m. in John Barry 211.

St. Augustine Lecture
A lecture entitled "History and Faith in Saint Augustine's 'De Trinitate'" will be given by Fr. Basil Studer, O.S.B. of Collegio Sant'Anselmo in Rome on Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center. This lecture is sponsored by Augustinian Studies.

Darwin Lecture
Phi Beta Kappa and the departments of biology and honors invite the Villanova community to attend a lecture entitled "Darwin's Dilemma" given by Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, Dr. Darcy B. Kelley. The lecture will be held at 5 p.m. in Mendel 158. A reception will follow.

Oct. 4

Visiting Scholar
Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, Dr. Darcy B. Kelley will hold office hours in the Fedigan Room from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Dr. Kelley's primary research interests have to do with neuroscience. Any students interested in speaking with her privately are encouraged to attend.

A pizza-soda reception will be held in Mendel 103 for all undergraduate students from noon - 1:30 p.m. The topic of discussion with Dr. Kelley is "What's It Like Being a Scientist." At 2:30 Dr. Kelley will give a lecture entitled "Generating the Male and Female Brains" in Mendel 158. A reception will follow.

C&F Breakfast
All are welcome to the Commerce and Finance Breakfast on Friday, Oct. 4 from 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. on the third floor of Bartley Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet faculty and other students!

Oct. 5

Lab Safety Workshop
On Saturday, Oct. 5, students are invited to participate in a free one-day lab safety seminar presented by Dr. James A. Kaufman, the nations leading authority on safety in academic laboratories. If you would like to attend, please call Arnelia Hollinger at the Villanova Environmental Health and Safety Office at x7838. Places should be reserved by Sept. 30. Refreshments will be served. Any questions, call Dr. Kaufman at 1-800-647-1977 or E-mail to labsafe@aol.com.

Oct. 6

Alumni/ae Faith Sharing Group
A new opportunity is being offered for graduates and friends who want to share the challenges and opportunities that the journey of faith has presented in the world after graduation.

Alumni/nae and friends are invited to attend an informational meeting on Oct. 6 in St. Rita Chapel from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (After the 6 p.m. Mass). For more information call Beth Hassel at 519-4088 or Philip Braun at (home) 610-260-0528; (work) 215-652-0854.

Chi-Olympics
The third annual Chi-Olympics will be held on Sunday, Oct. 6 at 1 p.m. on Sheehan Beach. Proceeds benefit Special Olympics. $50 per team to enter; free t-shirts and cash prizes.

Oct. 9

HIV Testing
The Villanova University AIDS Task Force is sponsoring a free, anonymous HIV testing on Wednesday, Oct. 9. The Delaware County AIDS Network will be at the Health Center from 10 a.m. until 2:40 p.m. If interested, please call x94070 to make an appointment.

MISC.

Christian Leader Retreat
A one day retreat on Christian leadership will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26. Students will get a chance to reflect on their own skills and limitations as leaders, to envision the future of the programs they are involved in, and to set concrete plans to reach their desired goals.

Retreat Team
In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is a way of making the interest to be on a team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form" in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Winter Service Trip
From Dec. 28 - Jan. 11 a group of 12 Villanova students will be building the foundation for a community center in a village 12 miles south of Managua, Nicaragua. Application and information sheets available in Campus Ministry and are due Oct. 4 at noon. Open to engineers and Spanish-speaking students.

Register to Vote
A voter registration drive will be conducted by the Political Awareness League next week in Connelly Plaza. Federal Forms will be available for registration for any state. Also, a sign-up list will be present to participate in a Voter Shuttle Program to the local polling places.

HEC Retreat
Students, faculty, staff and neighbors are welcomed and needed to work on the upcoming HEC retreat (Handicapped Encounter Christ) HEC is an unique and exciting experience which brings together physically disabled and non-disabled persons to share each others' lives in an atmosphere of Christian community. The retreat will take place on the weekend of Nov. 16 - 18 ending around 2 p.m. on Sunday. For more info. stop by Campus Ministry.

Senior Service
Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups
Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks in advance. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form. The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Attention Qualified Musicians
The Lower Merion Symphony invites Villanova's musicians to attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. They take place in the McShain Auditorium on Rosemont College. For information, call Elliot Levioff at (215) 473-9013.

Gay/Lesbian Support
Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

DSA
The Democratic Socialists of America will meet on Thursdays at 8 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). DSA is a political organization which fights for social and economic equality for all.

VFC
The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted
For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy.

Prospective Grads
Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have filled out cards are posted outside of the Registrar's Office.

Growing in Faith
A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

F E A T U R E S

University Shop implements money-saving programs

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

Are you sick of handing over hundreds of dollars every semester for books that you will use for five months? The University Shop has heard your complaints, and textbook prices are now and will continue to be reduced.

Contrary to popular belief, the Shop does not make an astronomical profit on textbooks. The gross profit is only 25 percent on new textbooks and 35 percent on used. This money is allocated for shipping costs and employee salaries. It is the increase in the publishers' prices that causes the cost of textbooks to skyrocket.

Because of the constant criticism of textbook pricing, two new programs have been introduced at the University. "We want to make students aware that we see the problems out there and we're finally looking for avenues by which we could soften the blow," said Book Manager Edward Castrege.

The first, New Book Rewards, is a national program which reduces the prices of selected textbook titles and gives students special offers in a packet at no cost simply as a reward for buying a new textbook.

Publishers have always set the price of textbooks, leaving bookstores with no room for negotiation. However, with New Book Rewards, publishers are finally passing off some savings to purchasers. "It's rare that we have the opportunity, particularly with textbooks, to really do something positive for students," said Frank Henninger, director of the University Shop.

There are currently three publishers participating in New Book Rewards: Addison-Wesley Longman, John Wiley & Sons and International Thomson Publishing. "We are really hopeful that some of the other major publishers will come on line and with this and then broaden the titles that could potentially be involved with the program," said Castrege.

The second, the Value-Priced Program, is unique to Villanova and gives students special savings on new copies of titles that have cost the University Shop less to stock.

Castrege, who is responsible for ordering the books, was able to purchase many new textbooks from used book wholesalers. He called over 20 wholesalers searching for the lowest prices.

Because of this, the price of the books was greatly reduced. "This is a way of us having an impact on what we get and what you can save," said Henninger.

The University Shop had the option to either pass this savings on to the students or to keep the profit. Fortunately, the Shop chose the former.

Value-Priced selections are marked by bright orange stickers which display both the original price and the new reduced price. The average savings per textbook is about $6. However, one book, *Engineering Mechanics Statics and Dynamics*, was reduced 12 percent from $105.00 to $92.50.

Savings is sometimes found in places you would least expect it.

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A student admires new discounted textbook prices.

Pi Sigma Alpha chapter honored with national award

By KAREN CAPPOLI
Staff Reporter

Last semester, Villanova's Epsilon Omega Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society, received one of two Best Chapter Awards given in each of three college enrollment categories. Villanova competed against chapters in schools with enrollments between 6,000 and 15,000 students.

The award honors a chapter's energy, creativity and commitment toward furthering the goal the honor society's goals. It includes a cash prize of $250 and a letter of congratulations which is published in both the Pi Sigma Alpha Newsletter and in the American Political Science Association's quarterly journal *PS: Political Science and Politics*.

Pi Sigma Alpha was founded in 1920 at the University of Texas as a national honor organization designed to bring undergraduate and graduate students of political science together based on their mutual interests in the study of government. The society's success and rapid expansion resulted in its admission into the Association of College Honor Societies in 1942. As a recognized collegiate honor society, Pi Sigma Alpha now has 440 chapters and approximately 120,000 members nationwide.

Membership into Pi Sigma Alpha signifies a high measure of academic achievement while also providing students with valuable opportunity for administrative experience. The organization is encouraged to be active throughout the academic year, influencing the political science department and promoting extracurricular activities related to public affairs.

The society fulfills an important need among students interested in communicating and advancing knowledge concerning political science. Its continued growth secures Pi Sigma Alpha's pledge, promised in its constitution to "stimulate productive scholarship and intelligent interest in the subject of government."

Last year, with the help of chapter advisor Dr. Robert W. Langran, President Michael J. Engel and Vice President Maureen Burke were able to organize and participate in a number of worthwhile activities responsible for the chapter's national recognition. Three chapter meetings were held with guest speakers including a political lobbyist and an FBI agent.

Chapter membership was extended to qualified students whose initiation was celebrated by inviting the assistant special agent-in-charge of the Philadelphia DEA office to address the organization. The chapter's activities included a trip to Washington D.C. where the chapter toured the Justice Department and the White House.

They also sponsored the Gerald F. Malloy award for the most outstanding senior political science student recognized by his/her peers for superior academic achievement, leadership, and personal character.

The chapter hosted their annual spring banquet which provided an opportunity for faculty and students to spend time outside the classroom. At this banquet, the chapter also recognized Langran for his outstanding achievements as a political science teacher and friendship toward the student body.

The chapter is proud of its hard work last year and is optimistic about the future of the organization. The new officers are already planning the chapter's fall activities which will include guest lectures from the fields of politics, law and law enforcement, a faculty/student picnic and field trips to Washington, D.C., New York and Philadelphia.

They are currently accepting new members. The requirements are a 3.5 G.P.A in four or more political science courses and an overall G.P.A of 3.0. Applications can be picked up and dropped off in the political science office in room 202 of the SAC. A reminder for old members, the chapter's first meeting will be held on Oct. 8, at 12:45 p.m. in the West Lounge of Dougherty Hall.

UNIT describes acceptable usage policy

By LLOYD MORGANSTEIN
Computing Site Coordinator, UNIT

An acceptable usage policy helps to govern and control the day-to-day usage and operations of all computing systems campus wide. Many policies, such as Villanova's, are designed with three facets in mind. One aspect of the policy, such as no eating or drinking in the public computing sites or no unauthorized hardware modification of faculty computers, is straightforward, easily managed, and aimed at protecting the physical computing resources available to the Villanova community.

The second goal of the acceptable usage policy focuses on the ethical conduct of Villanova's large community of students, faculty, and staff. Areas such as using another person's ID on any computer system, deliberate attempts to bypass University security systems (eg:hacking), unauthorized copying or changing of information stored on the University's computer systems, sending inappropriate (offensive, threatening, pornographic, etc.) e-mail, and copying or distributing software licensed to Villanova without authorization constitute much of this portion of the policy..

The third and final goal of Villanova's acceptable usage policy is a bit harder to both prepare for and implement. Wording such as 'Use of information technology resources that interferes with work of other students, faculty, or staff or the normal operation of the university computing systems' provides a framework to address many different issues such as game playing in the public computing sites and labs, deliberate altering of the configuration of public computing site machines for personal use, and the unauthorized sharing of computing resources (e.g.. setting up a personal server or multi-user operating system) with individuals within or outside the University.

As with all UNIT policies and procedures the acceptable usage policy was developed in an effort to ensure that reliable computing and communication resources are available to the University community. Last year alone over $3,000 in hardware was repaired or replaced due to mishandling and food (eg: spilled cola in a keyboard). In addition, much time and effort was required to reset machines deliberately altered by individuals for personal usage such as games or unauthorized software. These costs can quickly add up and will deplete reserves available for new equipment. For instance, the monies above could have purchased new computers for the public computing sites.

Information on UNIT's acceptable usage policy is available on-line at **http://www.vill.edu:80/admin/unit/polproc.htm**.

Lab safety seminar offered this weekend

From the Office of Environmental Health and Safety

Students are invited to participate in a free one-day lab safety seminar. The seminar will be presented at the physics lecture hall in Mendel Hall on Oct. 5.

You'll learn more about lab safety in one day than you have in you entire prior experience. You'll learn how to protect yourself from hazards you never knew existed. You'll see safety in a whole new context while learning and reviewing the fundamentals of lab safety and how to have an effective lab safety program. And, incredibly . . . it's going to be fun!

The seminar will be presented by Dr. James A. Kaufman, the nation's leading authority on safety in academic laboratories. Kaufman is president of The Laboratory Safety Workshop, a non-profit organization dedicated to making health and safety an integral and important part of science education.

Since 1980, more than 30,000 science educators and scientists have attended Kaufman's seminars and short courses on lab safety. It's the most entertaining and informative safety training available today.

This seminar is part of a pilot study being conducted by the Laboratory Safety Workshop to determine the effectiveness and value of this same training on students. The preliminary results from Duquesne University and Carnegie Mellon University are astounding. If you would like to attend, please call Arnelia Hollinger at the Villanova Environmental Health and Safety Office at 519-7838 to reserve your place and get directions by Sept. 30. Refreshments will be served.

If you have questions about the seminar itself, please call Kaufman at 1-800-647-1977 or email to labsafe@aol.com.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Isaac and Gopher
The Top Ten Top Ten's we couldn't finish

10. Top ten vowels
9. Top ten SGA accomplishments
8. Top ten days of the week
7. Top ten bargains at the convenience store
6. Top ten things that rhyme with Nova Fest (Bobs Fest doesn't count)
5. Top ten prime numbers under five
4. Top ten reasons for underclassmen to go to Homecoming
3. Top ten animals that begin with "F"
2. Top ten things Bob Dole could hold instead of a pen

and the No. 1 top ten we couldn't finish . . .

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F E A T U R E S

Nena Bryans' "Spiritual Connections" illuminates art gallery

Special to the Villanovan

For years Nena Bryans sought ways to reestablish the strong tie that once linked church and art. Her personal quest led to the formation 10 years ago of the Philadelphia-based Association Uniting Religion and Art (AURA). Next month AURA honors the Devon teacher/sculptor with a reception and exhibit at the Villanova University Art Gallery.

"I have always felt that Nena Bryans is the very essence of AURA, that she is its leading force and a model for all of us," said painter Jack Gerber, current AURA chair. He explained the mission of the ecumenical organization as the "continuing attempt at enlightenment concerning the ongoing process between our creative people, our churches and the community."

Entitled "Spiritual Connections,"the multi-disciplinary show features works by AURA members. A reception to meet Bryans and the other participating AURA artists will take place Oct. 5, from 3 to 5 p.m., at the gallery in the Connelly Center on the Villanova campus. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited free of charge. The exhibit continues to Nov. 8.

In her odyssey, Bryans has sought "to further the interface between the arts, the church and the culture." She explained her mission in her book, *Full Circle: A Proposal to the Church for an Arts Ministry*, published subsequent to her founding of AURA. "Art and religion have had various relationships throughout human history. They have nourished one another. At times they have been in conflict and often they have been jealous rivals."

But even worse than the periodic conflicts, noted Bryans, has been the separation between church and the arts that followed the Protestant Reformation and the advent of the Age of Reason in the 18th century. The peril of this estrangement, which continues in large measure to this day, notes Bryans, is the cutting off of art from "more profound depths of meaning."

"Religion and art seek to do the same thing," she wrote. "Each begins with a vision and both are preoccupied with representing the vision, giving it form and shape so that others can see and evaluate their visions . . . our culture, devoted almost entirely to learning technical skills, has left us with a vacuum of the heart."'

In addition to the visual arts, AURA's community outreach includes programs in the performing arts, literature and dance. "We are a clearinghouse for collaborations linking faith and art in its varied forms," said AURA chairman Jack Gerber, a painter whose special religious interest is the Bible's Old Testament.

Bryans' works are in the permanent collections of the Franciscan Monastery in Washington, D.C., the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Redeemer Lutheran Church in Albuquerque, N.M., and Villanova University, as well as a number of other religious and educational institutions.

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Nena Bryans with her sculpture of "Make Way for the Image of God!"

In 1994, her sculpture "Make Way for the Image of God!" won the Calvary Baptist Church ArtFest Award at the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club in New York.

Her work "A Long Wait" captured the 1993 Purchase award at Elizabethtown College, while her "Rest in the Peace of His Hands - After Kathe Kollwitz" won first place in sculpture at the 1993 Senior Arts Festival in Harrisburg.

A native of Tuscaloosa, Ala., Bryans earned a master of religious Education degree at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, Va., where she also teaches, and a bachelor's degree from Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Ga. She has undertaken extensive study of sculpture at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts and the University of the Arts. Bryans has also served as director of adult ministry at the Gladwyne Presbyterian Church and as director of Christian education at Presbyterian churches in Alabama and New Mexico.

In addition to her teaching and other church/art advocacy efforts, Bryans tries to make it to her Manayunk studio at least two days a week. "I struggle with my time all the time," she said of her often overfull plate.

The Villanova University Art Gallery welcomes visits by community organizations and school groups. Arrangements may by made by telephoning (610) 519-4612.

New students fear the big "15"

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The "Freshman 15" is a phrase that exists in every college student's vocabulary and provokes terror in the minds of many health-conscious folks. Is this a fact or a myth? Recent trends seem to indicate that the college experience has a "weighty" effect on the freshmen and the general college population.

Another issue relative to freshmen is their likes and dislikes of Villanova cafeteria food. One thing is for sure, there's no place like home. Over the years, the Villanova Dining Services has made many improvements to upgrade the availability and variety of food.

"The food on south campus at the new Donahue Court is of good quality," said freshman John Cirilli. "But, I think that it would be better if the menu had a little more variety."

Variety is one thing that still plagues the dining services. I remember as a freshman, and even last year as a sophomore, that my friends and I would predict the exact days when we would have what used to be a rare turkey dinner. Turkey was just one of many food choices that was much too repetitive on the menu.

"I think the food is great here," said a fellow freshman, Pat Quigley. "I enjoy going to my meals everyday."

The food receives some mixed reviews on campus, and we may never see a consensus of all those in favor of campus food. However, with the new edition of the Donahue Food Court on south campus, so many more options are now available. Villanova now has 12 dining locations, three dining halls and nine ala carte operations.

Dining services offers non fat and low fat items, as well as vegetarian items. Some of the new eateries down south are The Good Earth, Padre Pizza, Heavenly Wings and Other Things, Tomassito's Italian Cafe, The Fryery, Auggie's Deli, and the Traditions menu of the dining hall. So, it is easy to say that one has many options to chose from when it comes to eating.

As for the freshman 15, it is real. With just a small survey, most students said that they gained anywhere from 10 to 30 pounds. A poor diet, high in fat, along with late night eating binges, contributes to the freshman 15. One factor that may be overlooked that plays a large factor in freshman weight gain is alcohol consumption. The more you drink, the more the calories accumulate, and the result is weight gain.

Some popular food favorites which are selling fast in the convenience store are Entenmann's, chips, and Easy Cheese cheese spread. So, as you can see, these aren't the healthiest of food choices. With a better look of what you are eating and drinking, it is possible for a freshman to not be just another statistic supporting the prevalence of the "Freshman 15."

Public safety merges with Radnor Police to combat alcohol abuse

Villanova Public Safety

Seventy-nine percent of alcohol related accidents occur during the weekend! The months of October through December are the months with the highest number of incidents regarding alcohol-related crashes! The economic loss due to alcohol related crashes is over a billion dollars a year!

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The Delaware County Highway Safety Project in cooperation with the Villanova department of public safety, the drug and alcohol center, the office of leadership development and Greek affairs and the Radnor Police Department are sponsoring "Campaign Safe and Sober Villanova" at the Oreo on Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The goal of the event is to increase awareness to all Villanova students about the dangers of drinking and driving together with providing information on State law and the economic implications involved.

Students can participate in the Mock 3 Station DUI Field Sobriety Test administered by officers from the Radnor police department. By taking part in the test, students will experience the process of a DUI investigation.

Participants of the exam will be asked to sign a pledge sheet not to drink and drive and will receive a variety of "Campaign Safe and Sober" promotional items.

The department of public safety is giving a cash award to the fraternity and sorority who designs the poster that most exemplifies this important message.

The Delaware County Highway Safety Project hopes that the heightened awareness of DUI by Villanova will prevent the tragic results of drinking and driving.

Please join us on this important day!

Greek Briefs

Delta Gamma wants to wish sisters Linda DiFlorio and Debbie Buckley the best of luck as they study in Italy this semester. Meghan Joyce, Aldona Vaitekunas, Christine Vrtaric, Nicole Bognanno, Denise Neff and Emily Grimes will be working with a hammer and nails this fall with Habitat for Humanity to help families in need. Eileen Hayward, congratulations on the Camping and Canoeing Retreat. Keep up all the terrific work you do on campus. Delta Gamma extends a huge WELCOME to four of our new sisters. Leilani Fabia, Elisabet Stahlgren, Caitlin Sullivan and Bethany Wilczynski were initiated on Sept. 9 to the Zeta Alpha Chapter.

So this is what it feels like to be the best chapter in the WORLD! Hope everyone enjoyed the Parents' Weekend Tailgate. Congratulations to everyone who is going on fall break Habitat trips, especially the second annual Alpha Phi Sig Ep trip.

Attention all Chi O's! Our fall cocktail is this Saturday so get a date and get psyched. It's going to be una fiesta grande! And don't forget Chi Olympics is just around the corner so get ready olympiads.

Alpha Chi would like to say Congratulations to Meredith Schaum for scoring a 165 out of 180 on her LSAT exams. Welcome back to all the Alpha Chi's who were abroad last semester We hope you had a great time and the new sisters are excited to get to know you.

Kappa would like to thank Kim Manzo for organizing and TKO for hosting a great Parents' Weekend "bash". Hope we have as much fun at the Kappa Klassic on Friday!

Way to go ADPi for your intramural flag football victory last weekend. Marissa Taffaro scored three times, while Amy Mullane also contributed to the team's 28 points. Our defensive powerhouses were Cathy Bringhurst and Stephanie Rosales. Get ready for our next game this Sunday! Attention ADPi's, we're going on a trip. The agenda is set for our fall retreat, so pack your bags and bring your high spirits for a great weekend!

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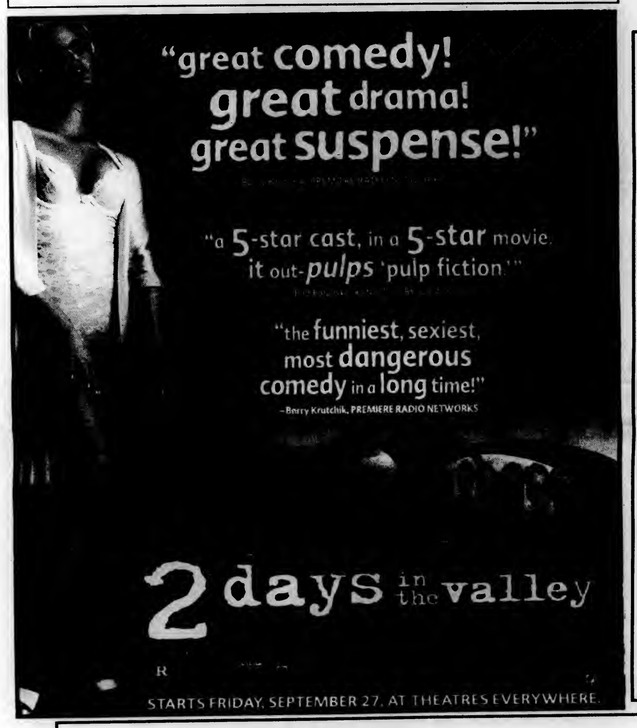

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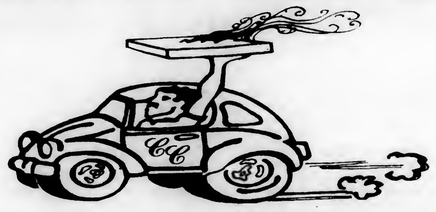

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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Art Museum sets stage for college weekend

By DAVID VERICA
Assistant Entertainment Editor

This semester's first issue of the *Villanovan* provided a plethora of choices for " bored Novans" to occupy their time in Philly. One of these choices can be qualified by visiting The Philadelphia Museum of Art at Ben Franklin Parkway and 26th Street.

The museum offers hours of wonder for the culturally clued in and clueless alike. For starters, there are special college programs inviting students to experience the Museum of Art and other Philadelphia cultural institutions at a discount or for free. This Saturday, Sept.28 is the 10th annual College Day on the Parkway with free admission to the Museum of Art and other Philadelphia museums.

Exhibitions range from early European and Asian pieces and collections dating back over 1,000 years to 20th Century American art and other contemporary displays. The museum boasts the collections of many famous families like the Annenburgs, the Peales and the Cadwaladers and is often supported by the Pew Charitable Trusts and the National Gallery of the Arts.

From the minute one approaches the steps made famous by Rocky, one can sense the uniqueness of this Philadelphia treasure. Although slightly marred by construction, the courtyard entrance is magnificent in and of itself. On the right high above the fountain, statues of myth-like figures guide your passage and the awesome gargoyles and griffins on the roof insure your safety. The columns are almost intimidating, towering above adorned with intricate tiles of every color in the rainbow.

The foyer, immediately encountered upon entering, offers plenty of brochures, pamphlets and other printed information in addition to an ample team of helpful employees.

Now and through Nov. 24, the museum is exhibiting the work of American photographer Harry Callahan. A contemporary of Alfred Stieglitz and Ansel Adams, his work is both distinctly modern and indisputably American.

This particular group of 120 photos from 1941- 1992 chronologically depicts the scope of his work utilizing a variety of themes such as his wife, Eleanor, the urban scenes of Chicago and Detroit in the '50s and color work of Providence in the '80s.

Following the Callahan exhibit will be "The Peale Family: Creation of an American Legacy, 1770-1870." The Peales were a highly influential family in Revolutionary Philadelphia who " in addition to creating thousands of works of art, were civic leaders, inventors, scientists and explorers who founded art and educational institutions, " as the exhibition brochure states. This exhibition celebrates two generations of noted Philadelphians.

Other exhibitions coming in the next few weeks range from an Oriental Carpet and Textile display to videos from the Georges Pompidou Centre surveying 25 years of works concerning gender identity and relations between the sexes.

Do not forget about Wednesday nights when the museum stays open until 8:45. Every first Wednesday is JazzFM night, and Oct.2 will feature a film, "Black Moon" and music by The Temple University Jazz Trio. Wednesday night gatherings are always accompanied by films, music and lectures. The museum also offers public workshops and courses through their Education Division, which can be reached at (215)684-7580.

The museum also offers a wide range of special services, from audio self-guided tours and tours for the deaf, to tours conducted in foreign languages (French, Spanish, Chinese and Polish).

There is also a cafeteria and a restaurant serving meals and snacks during most museum hours. In addition to food there is also The Museum Store with books and gifts, and an extensive library open to members for research.

Memberships are available and are extremely advantageous. For more information call (215)284-7840.

Admission is free on Sundays from 10 a.m.- 1p.m. and the musuem stays open until 5. Every other day it is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and admission is $4 with student ID. It is also open until 8:45 p.m. on Wenesdays through December. The museum is closed on Mondays. Call (215)763-8100 for information.

There is plenty of parking and the museum is easily accessible by SEPTA, call (215)580-7800.

Get some culture for free at Philadelphia museums this weekend with college i.d.

"Feeling Minnesota" offers black comedy for audiences

By NICOLE ESPOSITO
Staff Reporter

If one is in the mood for a light romantic comedy, then rent "Father of The Bride" for the 15th time. But to see a cutting-edge, almost black comedy about love in the '90s, then "Feeling Minnesota" is the perfect flick. Its young and gorgeous stars, Keanu Reeves and Cameron Diaz, make it ideal to pass the time on one of those rainy days.

The film's quirky title is inspired by lyrics from a Soundgarden song, and Courtney Love makes a cameo appearance as a waitress in a diner. The dark, avant-garde soundtrack features songs like "You Can Have Her," "Minnesota Medley," "Family Affair" and Bob Dylan's chilling "Ring of Fire."

These are clues that first-time writer/director Steven Baigelman is trying to portray a fresh, yet grungy, vision of a modern love triangle with a twist. The plot takes many exciting turns, which only add to the movie's spontaneity and intrigue.

Freddie (Diaz), a tough, street-smart blond, is afraid of commitment. Convinced that Freddie stole money from him, villainous crime boss Red (Delroy Lindo) forces her to marry Sam (Vincent D'Onofrio), a shady character who works at a local strip club. Red knows that marriage will not only take away Freddie's freedom, but will also ruin her plans of becoming a showgirl in Las Vegas.

The wedding scene is saturated with dark humor. It takes place in a backyard, and instead of church bells and music, the sound of passing cars and trucks fill the air. This unromantic setting perfectly mirrors Freddie's angry feelings about the wedding.

However, this mood soon changes as Freddie sees Sam's attractive brother, Jjaks (Reeves), during the ceremony.

The electricity between this dynamic pair is obvious, but there are deeper issues lurking beneath the surface. Freddie thinks of Jjaks as an escape from a life of unhappiness with the creepy Sam, while Jjaks sees Freddie as a competition with Sam that maybe this time he will be able to win.

Vincent D'Onofrio plays the character of Sam brilliantly. Sam is both a comical and tragic character. He is misguided as he desperately tries to win Freddie's heart, and it is hysterical to watch him fail miserably in his attempt. However, this light humor turns darkly witty when Sam goes on a shooting spree and accidentally shoots himself.

Both Cameron Diaz and Keanu Reeves give convincing performances and captivate the audience's hearts. A free spirit and an ex-convict are unlikely choices for the film's good guys, but the audience truly wants them to get together. However, the only way to find out if this exciting duo lives happily ever after is to grab your friends, head to a local theater and check out "Feeling Minnesota."

PHOTO CREDIT: DARREN MICHAELS

See Cameron Diaz and Keanu Reeves shine in "Feeling Minnesota."

College Fest presents cutting edge bands

Special to the Villanovan

It will be a virtual "Collapalooza" at the third annual College Fest "Way More Weekend" which will bring 10,000 students to the Armory on Drexel's campus on September 28-29.

Built on a foundation of live music, College Fest has lined up a host of major modern rock acts including new punk/pop sensation, Goldfinger. The New York-based Fun Lovin' Criminals will be playing an eclectic mix of blues, jazz and hip-hop, while RuffHouse recording artists, Trip 66 and former H.O.R.D.E Festival vets, The Why Store will also be hitting the College Fest stage.

Late Night with Conan O'Brien, college band search winners, The Dirges, will be jamming as will local Philly favorite Love Seed Mama Jump. WDRE 103.9 FM, which is sponsoring the event along with *City Paper* will be on hand throughout the weekend and will be raffling off an acoustic guitar autographed by Alice in Chains.

Tower Records and HMV will be sampling free CD's, Spin Magazine will be handing out free copies and area nightclubs will be offering free admissions. There will be extreme sports demos, cutting edge video games and tons of free samples.

"The Way More Weekend is great for students because it has everything from live music and free CD's to volunteer and part-time job opportunities," explains College Fest Executive Producer, Betty Fulton. "We created the event for college students to have a huge indoor block party where they can have fun, meet each other, discover what Philadelphia has to offer and check out all that's out there.

Prizes will be offered throughout the weekend as part of the "Awesome College Fest Raffle," including tons of free lift tickets to the Pocono Mountains, free train tickets from AMTRAK, gift certificates and lots more.

House Productions will have an on-site hair salon and will donate a portion of their proceeds to local AIDS charities.

The *City Paper* will be publishing a complete guide to College Fest in the Sept. 20 issue. For further information about College Fest call (617) 859-5767

Way More Weekend Saturday Sept. 28, 12-7 p.m. and Sunday Sept. 29, 12-7 p.m. Live music, including Goldfinger, the Dirges, Love Seed Mama Jump and more. Free CDs, tee-shirts, killer raffle prizes and high tech fun.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

CAT brings weekend fun

By LORI SKARBEK
Staff Reporter

If one is searching for a party this weekend, look no further. CAT has made all the arrangements. The Campus Activities Team has packed the weekend with tons of fun things to do. All one has to do is show up.

The excitement begins Friday morning with the final day of the "CBS College Tour." Come out to Connelly Plaza, and test your competitive skills in game shows, become a favorite soap star or fill the shoes of a television broadcaster. Here's a chance for five minutes of fame!

The "CBS Tour" is only the beginning of the fun. On Friday night, catch one of the summer's hottest flicks, "The Rock, " starring Sean Connery and Nicholas Cage. If one missed it this summer, do not pass up the opportunity again! Shows start at 7 and 10 p.m., the cost is $3.

If the mood to dance strikes on a Friday night, then catch the early movie and then head to the Street Dance and Barbecue in the quad. Starting at 10 p.m., a DJ will play the latest dance music and a Scavenger Hunt will be held. Entries for the Scavenger Hunt will be in teams of five, and sign up continues today in 214 Dougherty. First prize will be $100 divided between the five team members and a $25 gift certificate to Campus Corner. The second place team will win $50 and third place winners will receive ECO Mugs filled with surprises. Do not miss the fun !

After recovering from Friday night, test your luck on Saturday night with CAT's Casino Night in the Belle Air Nightclub. The betting begins at 8 p.m. with games such as Black Jack, Craps, Roulette, Beat the Dealer, Red Dog, Caribbean Poker, Wheels and Chuck a Luck. The cost is $3 for chips, for the chance to win great prizes!

Casino Night not only features great games and prizes, but also other creative entertainment. Comedian Bill Fry will be in the Nightclub during Casino Night to perform his "Comedy in the Air" act. Bill is a world champion juggler who has performed at over 400 colleges, universities, community colleges and tech schools. He describes his act as "contemporary insanity, original fast-paced comedy juggling, lots of audience participation and FUN!" If one does not win at the Roulette wheel, Bill is sure to cheer you up.

With so much going on this weekend, one can not help but have a good time. So do not go looking far and wide for a party. It's in V.U.'s own backyard.

Jawbox grows on listener

By DAVID VERICA
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Sometimes it's funny: listening to a song or a disc for the first time and nothing really clicks. You walk away without any cathartic uplift or any rejeuvenated angst. But this is O.K., sometimes it takes two or three times to really begin to appreciate new music. This is certainly the case with the latest self-titled release from Washington D.C. based group, Jawbox.

The first time through the vocal tracks seem too predominant in the mix, and some of the delivery seems out of place. Inevitably though, things begin to fall into place.

Jawbox consists of: J.Robbins on lead vocals and essentially rhythm guitar, W.C. Barbot on lead guitar and backing vocals, Kim Coletta on bass and backing vocals and Zachary Barocas on drums. This line-up has been performing and recording together for seven years.

Originally, Jawbox recorded on Discord records, operated by Fugazi's Ian McKaye. Jawbox's self-titled new release on Atlantic Records is their first major label endeavor. The influence Fugazi and other Discord-ers have had is still self evident on this release.

The first few tracks do not slam one in the face or anything, but they are not necessarily bad. The guitar and vocals are advertantly reminiscent of bands such as Quicksand, and at the same time tendencies of Trent Reznor (NIN) or Paige Hamilton (Helmet) can be detected. These songs will grow onthe listener. " His Only Trade " and " Empire of One " ultimately highlight these settling nuances.

"Won't Come Off," the sixth track probably would not get turned off the radio, but the possibility of it actually getting played is not all that likely. The drums on this track, while not terribly complex, are deviant enough to make one move.

Screaming is almost expected in " Spoiler," but Jawbox exercises control and utilizes the space well with restraining. More of an identity is beginning to emerge with " Mule/Stall " and "Capillary Life" even though they are singing " is it too late to change my mind? " The final track, "Absenter," again reveals the D.C. breeding influence, but by now its acceptable, if not expected.

There is a phat bonus-extra hidden track, it is the only cover on the album and a peculiar choice at that. But, this rendition of Tori Amos' "Cornflake Girl" could be the best song on the record.

They probably put on a fierce live show, yet something is lost or just not captured in Jawbox's recording. Nonetheless, if one is in their neck of the woods Jawbox is playing at the University of Maryland on Sept. 28, Mary Washington College in Fredricksburg, VA. on the 29, and at Trax in Charlottesville, on Oct. 4.

Listeners are left basically clueless as far as interpreting the meaning of most of the lyrics, but noticing these subtlties can often take time. As Robbins says in " Nickel Nickel Millionaire, "feed me enough poison, I'll learn to like it ."

Eating off the Mainline: Melrose

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

Melrose Diner takes you on a trip back in time when you enter this traditional 1950's diner..

I should have known I was in for a real treat when I called the restaurant to find their exact location and the man on the other end of the phone let out a rumbling, almost evil laugh when I told him I was coming from Villanova. He rattled off a series of train connections and subway lines I'd have to take in order to get there and promptly hung up. So, with a list of barely legible directions in hand, I grabbed my roommate and headed for 1501 Snyder Ave.

After a series of missed train stops, a subway ride that was interesting to say the least and public transportation tolls that cost more than what our meal would, we finally made it to our destination, quite worn out, and thankful we were still in one piece. Needless to say, Melrose diner is not exactly in the best location of Philly, and my roomie and I stuck out like sore thumbs, but then again, I guess you could say the same about the Melrose.

With its enormous flickering neon sign and stylish red chrome exterior, the Melrose Diner looks more like an overgrown '57 Chevy than a restaurant, and the interior does not get much better. I was expecting something along the lines of the Peach Pit on "90210," but what I found was more like a truck stop on the highway to hell. The clock on the wall reads "established in 1935," and I began to wonder if anyone had cleaned there since. After standing around for a few moments, the not-so-happy hostess told us "Find your own seats." So, with no jukebox or poodle skirt-clad waitress in sight, my roommate and I saddled up to the counter and took a look at the menu.

Within seconds of sitting down, our waitress threw some silverware at us and took our orders. While we were waiting, I took some time to scan the room and check out our fellow diners.

In one corner was a man who was talking to himself, and he continued to do so throughout our stay. In fact, I'll bet he is probably still sitting there right now! To my left was a man who sent back three slices of pie because none of them had the right amount of whipped cream on top. And when the man on my right picked up his steak with his fingers, I began to wonder what I had gotten myself into.

Just as I was beginning to plan my escape route, the waitress plopped our meals in front of us. To my surprise, my cheeseburger was actually very good, with a toasted bun and crispy lettuce. The fries were a little on the soggy side, but at that point, I didn't really care. My roommate had a chicken salad sandwich, which she said was quite tasty. In fact, we were quite impressed with the size and quality of the food, all things considered.

The prices are very reasonable, but not worth going all the way to 15th and Snyder for. When it came time for dessert, all we had on our minds was getting home before dark. Unfortunately, we had to skip out, although the pies seemed appetizing and there was a long line of people waiting to take one home for after their Sunday dinners.

So we exited the Melrose Diner and headed back to Villanova. After another lengthy combination of subway and rain rides, we were back on campus. To tell you the truth, Falvey Library never looked so good.

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Oct. 18, — Butthole Surfers, Cibo Matto
8:30 p.m.
Tickets : $16

Oct. 19, — Richard Thompson
8:30 p.m.
Tickets: $18.50

Oct. 26, — Suzanne Vega, Jason Faulkner
8:30 p.m.
Tickets : $18.50 On Sale 9/27

Oct.30, — Marilyn Mason
8p.m.
Tickets : $16.75 On Sale 9/27

Theatre of the Living Arts

Oct. 3, — Joshua Redman
7:30 p.m.
Tickets : Reserved $16.50

Oct. 4, — Tracy Bohnam, Red Five
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Tickets : $7.50

Oct. 5, — An evening with: Ferron
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Oct. 10, — The Badlees
8:00p.m.
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Oct. 11, — Moxy Fruvous, Johnny Vegas
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Oct. 18, — Maxwell
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Oct. 19, — Brian Setzer Orchestra
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Tickets : $15.50

Oct. 22-26, — An Evening with: Ray Davies--20th Century Man
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Oct. 5 &6, — David Copperfield
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Sept. 29, — Dave Matthews Band, Soul Coughing
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Oct. 8, — Three Masters of the Ice featuring: Scott Hamilton, Brian Boitano and Paul Wylie
7 p.m.
Tickets : $ 28.50-50

Bryce Jordan Center

Oct. 7, — Dave Matthews Band, Boxing Gandhis
7:30 p.m.
Tickets : $22.50

Oct. 17, — Phish
7:30 p.m.
Tickets : $22.50

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Sebadoh's latest *Harmacy* mixes it up

PHOTO CREDIT: JASON LOWENSTEIN

Harmacy makes Sebadoh fans happy.

By BRET BURTON
Staff Reporter

The third track on Sebadoh's new album *Harmacy,* ends with the lines "I don't even care to name it / Explain it for the one who wouldn't care / All that matters is the way you choose to frame it." *Harmacy* is the latest offering from Sebadoh, the band formed by former Dinosaur Jr. bassist, Lou Barlow. For those who are unfamiliar with Sebadoh and Lou Barlow, read on and bring oneself up to speed.

Lou Barlow has become something of a cult hero in the past few years since a feud with Dinosaur Jr.'s Jay Mascis forced him to leave that band. Barlow has been extremely prolific, releasing numerous albums independently, as well as with his bands Sebadoh, Sentridoh, and Folk Implosion, (remember their radio hit "Natural One" from its intensive air play and MTV exposure last year?) Lou's extensive body of work runs the gamut from lo-fi home recordings and incoherent nonsense, to beautiful ballads and fully produced pop gems.

The new album *Harmacy* contains less of the lo-fi high-jinks that garnered Sebadoh its underground cult following. This may upset some of the die-hard Sebadoh fans, (Listening to 50 love songs that have no drums and no intelligable lyrics is a past time that will be missed by indie-rockers everywhere) but the 19 tracks presented on *Harmacy* are not to be overlooked. Songs like "Beauty of the Ride," "Prince-S" and the bitter-sweet "On Fire" are as good as anything Sebadoh has previously released. Lou's vocals on these songs have the ability to reach out and ensnare even first time listeners. The track "Willing to Wait" is another perfect example of this phenomenon. Recently, Sebadoh played a show at the TLA on South Street. Their rendition of "Willing to Wait" seemed to make time stop as it it filled the theatre with its beautiful melody. "Willing to Wait" gives that feeling every time, in the same way that the track simply entitled "Ocean" causes a sudden feeling of happiness.

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One more thing before running down to the record store do not buy the album and just pop it into the CD player. On the way back from the store, rip off that annoying plastic sticker and check out the detailed linear notes on the CD cover; just be careful while driving.

The notes contain not just the lyrics to each song, but also who is responsible for each sound. If one has seen Sebadoh in concert than he/she knows what I'm talking about. Lou mixes it up with the other members of Sebadoh (Jason Lowenstein, and Bob Fay). Bob and Jason switch between bass and drums, just as Lou and Jason switch between bass and guitar. This play adds a little variety to the album, and showcases the versatility of the band members. OK, now throw down the paper and run down to the record store.

Midler, Keaton and Hawn shine through in "First Wives Club"

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

For weeks, commercials promoting the opening of " The First Wives Club" have stormed television screens across the country.

These cleverly constructed ads portray the happy trio of Bette Midler, Diane Keaton and Goldie Hawn galivanting down the streets of New York City as first wives hell-bent on a mission of dual purposes: unadulterated revenge and blissful self-empowerment.

The movie behind the commercials offers audiences an entertaining blend of fine acting and physical comedy. The First Wives Club, directed by Hugh Wilson and based on the novel by Olivia Goldsmith, centers around three best friends who are suddenly thrown into each other's lives after a long period of separation. After the suicide of Cynthia (Stockard Channing), the 1969 Class Valedictorian of Middlebury College, Annie (Keaton), Brenda (Midler) and Elise (Hawn) meet after their friend's funeral for lunch for the first time in almost 25 years.

In this early scene, character personalities are immediately defined by the type of drink each woman orders: Annie requests a Virgin Mary, Brenda wants a Bloody Mary and Elise demands a vodka on the rocks.

As the friends converse, they come to the realization that all of their marriages are threatened by younger women and husbands caught in mid-life crises. For example, Elise is a conceited, washed-up movie actress whose producer husband has just hired a beautiful actress (Elizabeth Berkley) to play the ingenue in his new film. Brenda, on the other hand, is an overweight, headstrong mother whose ex-husband has recently become fascinated by a social-climbing bimbo, played by Sarah Jessica Parker. Finally, Annie is a timid homemaker whose life is controlled by an over-bearing mother and an unethical therapist.

United in their cause, the three women decide to take action. To begin, they devise individual plans of attack to retaliate against their ex-husbands. Inevitably, all of these plans become intertwined in a comedy of errors that permeates the entire movie.

Midler, Keaton and Hawn shine in their respective roles. Midler's well-timed wise cracks and Hawn's portrayal of a flamboyant, quasi-alcoholic perfectly compliment Keaton's neurotic aloofness. The audience appreciates this fresh insight into the characters even more as the women experience true moments of selfawareness.

The finest achievement of "The First Wives Club" is its presentation of an all-star cast. In addition to Midler, Keaton and Hawn, viewers enjoy cameo appearances of various other celebrities, including Heather Locklear, Rob Reiner and Ivana Trump. Also contributing to the movie's comedic success is the bustling city of New York, which provides the backdrop for many hilarious scenes.

Though viewers may assume commercials for "The First Wives Club" give away the movie's entire storyline, they are fortunately mistaken. The ensemble cast has universal appeal, and there are enough laughs to keep theater-goers in stitches throughout the entire movie. Therefore, even if one is not a first wife, this film is definitely recommended as one of fall's first blockbusters.

Cultural film series: "Lamerica"

By TERENCE J. McCARTHY
Staff Reporter

The emotions of hope and despair are beautifully portrayed by Italian director Gianni Amelio in this week's Cultural Film and Lecture Series' presentation of "Lamerica."

This internationally acclaimed film is a microcosmic examination of immigration from a humanistic perspective, with an emphasis on a deeper universal message. Set against the backdrop of Albania in 1991, when the country' s communist regime collapsed and with it any semblance of order, it is a story of epic proportions, placing a small man in a large context.

Amelio delves into the human psyche by following a man's physical and spiritual journey across Albania, where inner revelations and epiphanies guide him through the surrounding external chaos. "Lamerica" successfully operates simultaneously as a historical document, an indictment of cultural imperialism, and paradoxically, a testament to the power of indomitable optimism.

Amelio, who also directed the Academy Award nominated "Open Doors" and "Stolen Children," presents a story of two Italian con men attempting to hoodwink the Italian and Albanian governments. Fiore (Michele Placido), a slick businessman and Gino (Enrico Lo Verso), his youthful and obnoxious protegé, journey to Albania to set up a dummy shoe corporation, thus obtaining a financial grant from the Italian government, which they intend to keep for themselves.

Fiore and Gino cannot run the business themselves because of a "legitimization" clause which states the company must be operated by an Albanian. In a tandem, they find Spiro (Carmelo di Mazzarelli), a mentally incompetent, 70-year-old political prisoner of war. Spiro becomes their "chairman" puppet in this hoax, as he is used solely for signing official documents. Aseemingly flawless plan suddenly turns to trouble for both Fiore and Gino when Spiro hastily runs away in search of Italy.

Thus, Gino's journey begins as he migrates with a group of Albanian refugees en route to Italy in desperate search of Spiro. During his search, Gino is forced to look at the world beyond his own self-entered ego. He faces many tests throughout, which prove to be both life-altering and character-building events. Ironically, Gino's character begins to mirror that of the people whom he detests the most, the Albanian immigrants, in that he loses his material goods, his identity, and must strive diligently to get to Italy.

For Amelio, this film has a deeper personal meaning behind it. Only half a century earlier, his grandfather made a similar trek to that of Gino and Spiro, and escaped from Albania's communist dictatorship by emigrating to Italy. Amelio's subversive voice speaks throughout the film. In many ways, "Lamerica" can be viewed as an homage to the dedication of the director's grandfather and his persistence in striving for freedom and a better life.

This film speaks to all people and all generations and has the kind of depth, heart, humor and currency that make it a must see.

"Lamerica" will have four screenings in the University's Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, Sept. 28 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 29 at both 3:30 and 7 p.m.; Monday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m.

Monday's showing will be introduced by guest speaker Nicholas Patruno, who will lead the discussion "Italy and Albania: So Near and Yet So Far," following the screening. Admission is $3 for students with I.D. and $4 for the general public.

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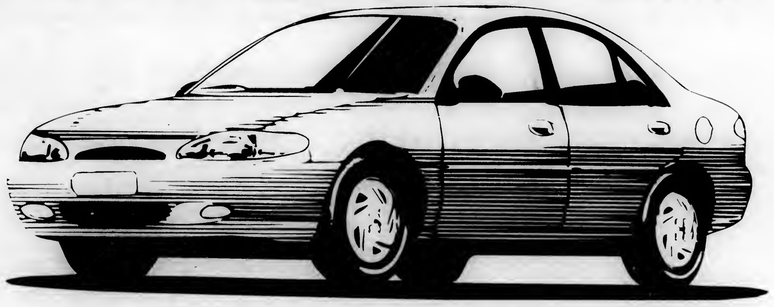

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S P O R T S

Intramural Update

MEN

SUNDAY

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Abbie	1	0	44	6
House of 96	1	0	38	12
LDB	1	0	35	21
Katherine Crushers	0	1	21	35
McGuire's Rubber Necks	0	1	12	38
The Maurauders	0	1	6	44

MONDAY
Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
MacDaddyz	1	0	54	24
APD	1	0	18	13
Silver Bullets	0	1	13	18
Fab Frosh	0	1	24	54

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Dog Pile	1	0	44	12
The Program	1	0	37	22
NROTC "A"	0	1	22	37
Minerva's Raiders	0	1	12	44

TUESDAY
Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Green Hornets	1	0	60	6
Rage	1	0	47	0
I.L.C.S.	1	0	26	25
Pi Kapps	0	1	25	26
Wild Frosh	0	1	0	47
100 Proof	0	1	6	60

Stadium Grass

Name	W	L	PF	PA
After Shock	1	0	33	6
Morning Missiles	1	0	32	7
The Colts	1	0	33	13
Pull Creature	0	1	13	33
Hard Corr	0	1	7	32
ATO	0	1	6	33

WEDNESDAY
Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Lambda Chi Alpha 1	1	0	37	0
Pikes	1	0	26	6
New Revolution	1	0	20	19
The Black Knights	0	1	19	20
Lambda Chi Alpha 2	0	1	6	26
Beta Theta Pi	0	1	0	37

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Team Pimp	1	0	48	24
Dirty Dozen	1	0	35	20
Law	0	1	20	35
Moriarity	0	1	24	48

THURSDAY
Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Fightin' Squirrels	0	0	0	0
Fist Heads	0	0	0	0
The Legends	0	0	0	0
Quick Change	0	0	0	0
Sigma Pi	0	0	0	0
Thundering Herd	0	0	0	0

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Flag Brigade	0	0	0	0
Hard Corr Killers	0	0	0	0
JB's	0	0	0	0
Shots in Your Face	0	0	0	0

WOMEN

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Alpha Delta Pi	1	0	26	18
Foxfire	1	0	0	0
Foofies	0	1	0	0
Tri Delta	0	1	18	26

CO-ED

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Guys and Dolls	0	0	0	0
Hurricane Fran	0	0	0	0
Sullivan-Sheehan	0	0	0	0
Too Easy	0	0	0	0

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Name	Record	LW
1. Thundering Herd	0-0	1

Last season's undefeated champs played on Thursday after the newspaper deadline. The Herd hopes to build on its perfect record from last year.

2. Rage	1-0	2

Rage whuped-up on Wild Frosh, 47-0. The Rage plays Pi Kapps (formerly No. 6) next week in a game that should be slightly more competitive.

3. Abbie	1-0	3

The new team played up to its pre-season billing, mauraudingThe Maurauders 44-6. The only score for the losers came on a 60-yard interception return.

4. Dog Pile	1-0	4

Minerva's Raiders were the Pile's first victim. Next week, they take on No. 5 The Program in the first of two straight tough games.

5. The Program	1-0	5

The baseball players, behind the strong arm of Trevor Pepkowski, beat a good NROTC team, 37-22. The Navy boys were previously ranked ninth.

6. MacDaddyz	1-0	7

The MacDaddyz outdistanced the not-so-Fab Frosh, 54-24, as all six starters scored on seven passing touchdowns and an interception return.

7. Pikes	1-0	8

The Pikes beat Lambda Chi Alpha 2, 26-6. They take on the other Lambd Chi Alpha team, which beat up on Beta Theta Pi, 37-0.

8. I.L.C.S.	1-0	--

I.L.C.S. nipped No. 6 Pi Kapps, 26-25. The lacrosse squad won the heated contest and should have an easier time next week as they take on 100 Proof, 60-6 losers.

9. APD	1-0	--

APD sneak into the Top Ten after defeating previously No. 10 Silver Bullets, 18-13. APD takes on No. 6 MacDaddyz next week.

10. Green Hornets	1-0	--

The Green Hornets were desperate to be noticed, running up the score on 100 Proof, 60-6. Look for another offensive outburst as they take on Wild Frosh, who lost 47-0.

Dropped Out:
No. 6 Pi Kapps lost to I.L.C.S., 26-25.
No. 9 NROTC "A" lost to No. 5 The Program, 37-22.
No. 10 Silver Bullets lost to APD, 18-13.

Games of the Week *(look for write-ups in next week's edition):*
No. 4 Dog Pile versus No. 5 The Program
No. 6 MacDaddyz versus No. 9 APD

Intramural Track Results

EVENT	MEN	WOMEN
100 Meter	Kevin Gallen (11.50)	Debrah Pfisterer (14.34)
200 Meter	Kevin Gallen (24.85)	Debrah Pfisterer (31.34)
400 Meter	David Stys (58.72)	Mary Semanchik (1:19)
3200 Meter	Scott Peterson (10:35)	Carolyn Hehir (14:08)
Shot Put	Ryan Kavanaugh (39.6')	Michelle Humowiecki (28.5)
Long Jump	Kevin Gallen (19.0')	Christina Chillemi (14.6')
High Jump	Chris Marou (6.0')	Christina Chillemi (5.0')

Volleyball entries accepted Sept. 30 to Oct. 7 (by 5 p.m.)

Cats spear No. 17 St. Francis

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

Villanova's 20th ranked water polo team won three of four games last week and clinched second place in the Wildcat Tournament bringing its record to 6-2. In the Cats home opener Friday, the team excited the crowd with a 16-7 victory over California foe Pomona- Pitzer. Sophomore Anthony Santoro scored four goals and Pat Kain, Brian Tomsheck, Paul Granneman and co-captain Jamie Randall each contributed two goals apiece in the win. The men then played Iona in the first game of the Wildcat Tournament. The 20-8 triumph saw Randall record four goals, while John Richards, Kain and John Riley notched three goals each.

Nova's next match proved to be a tough one against No. 18 St. Francis, a team it defeated in overtime in the first game of the season. The team claimed victory again in the 11-10 thriller. Randall tallied four goals as goalie Brian Brown recorded twelve saves and held St. Francis scoreless for the first quarter. In the final game of the tournament, the men took on another tough opponent in No. 17 Queens. The teams were tied at the end of the first quarter and traded goals going into the third, when there was an offensive explosion by both teams. Queens came out of the third with a one goal advantage and managed to hold 'Nova off in the final period for the 11-12 tournament clinching victory.

Assistant Coach Vicki Gorman already sees improvement over last season.

"The team is playing at a higher level than they were at this time of the year, last year," said Gorman. "We haven't even reviewed the things that we want them to be able to do to score goals, and yet they are still able to score goals and win games." "They're not at their peak yet, but they're playing very well. We anticipate that there is going to be even more improvement in their play in the upcoming games."

Tomorrow, the team will be on the road to challenge Slippery Rock and Bucknell. 'Nova hopes to stack the win column as it will be out of action until Oct. 12.

S P O R T S

Should Yankees ace Pettitte be choice for Cy?

Fire: Pettitte deserves recognition

By ROMAN VACCARI
Staff Reporter

Sophomore jinx? I don't think so. Not the way Yankee left-hander Andy Pettitte has pitched in his second year in the big leagues. After winning 12 games in his rookie year, Pettitte, at the age of 24, has developed into one of the best pitchers in the major leagues and the best in the American League this year.

As April approached this past year I asked Ice how many wins he thought Pettitte could win? He answered 10, if he's lucky. Being a realistic Yankee fan, I told Ice that he doesn't know what he's talking about and that Pettitte was more than capable of winning 15 games. We were both wrong. Mr. Pettitte has won 21 games, the most in the American League and second only to John Smoltz (23 wins), the Major League leader.

After Yankee ace David Cone was discovered to have an aneurysm in his right shoulder, many Yankee-haters like Ice thought they were dead. Then Pettitte emerged as the staff's ace. Despite pitching for two months with a twinge in his throwing elbow, Pettitte has been a model of consistency for New York. With the rest of the staff going through its peaks and valleys, he has almost always been at a peak, always giving the Yankees a chance to win. In his 33 starts, Pettitte has pitched six or more innings in 26 of those starts, including 19 quality starts.

Ice will tell you that his ERA is too high (3.90) to be named the Cy Young award winner. Ice is right about these stats. However, Ice fails to take into consideration that more runs are being scored this year then ever before, and that almost every pitcher's ERA is higher.

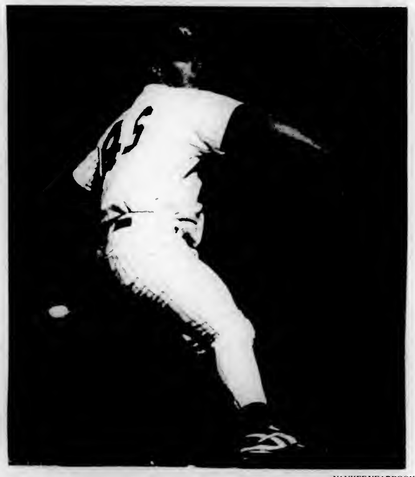
What Ice will not tell you is that if Pettitte's two worst starts (one inning, eight earned runs against the Orioles and 2.2 innings, 10 earned runs against Texas) are taken out then his ERA would be a remarkable 3.22. Even still, his ERA is still one of the best 10 in the American League. Just as impressive has been Pettitte's ability to utilize Death Valley at the Stadium, where he is 11-4 at home with an ERA of 3.21.

Following his two worst outings, Pettitte has shown resiliency that most pitchers don't have. After the Orioles debacle, he came out and pitched three scoreless innings of relief to get the win in a 15-inning marathon. After the Texas massacre, Pettitte bounced back to pitch seven innings of four-hit ball, allowing only one run while striking out 11. Furthermore, Pettitte is 13-3 after Yankee defeats, a record of which only Cy Young caliber pitchers are capable.

Six weeks ago there were plenty of critics saying that Andy Pettitte doesn't deserve to win the Cy Young. Pettitte quieted those critics rather quickly as he has averaged 7.1 innings while compiling a 5-1 record and a 2.86 ERA as well as having an amazing 4:1 strikeout-to-walk ratio in his last nine starts of the season. Pettitte's performance late this season should not be a surprise. After all, he was 5-1 with a 3.38 ERA in his last six starts last season when the Yankees were making their playoff drive. Without a doubt these are the numbers of a staff ace and a Cy Young winner.

Being a die-hard Yankee fan, I appreciate all Mariano Rivera has done for the Yankees. Without a doubt he is the Yanks' MVP and quite possibly the MVP of the AL. His numbers are simply awesome. Without him, who knows where the Yanks would be? But there has to be a clear distinction made between an MVP and a Cy Young winner. Simply, middle relievers don't win the Cy Young. One day in the near future when Rivera is the closer for New York he will win the Cy Young, just not this year.

Like Rivera, without Pettitte the Yanks would not be heading to the World Series. When it comes to Pettitte, he simply knows how to win, and win and win. What happens in the playoffs remains to be seen. But one thing is for sure: Andy Pettitte is assured of at least one more win this year-- the Cy Young. Winning this award will partially make-up for the Rookie-of-the-Year award that he deserved last season.



YANKEE YEARBOOK

Pettitte's 21-8 record and his ability to perform in the clutch might warrant a Cy Young, but don't forget to look at his ERA.

Ice: Teammate Rivera is Cy Young

By STEPHEN HAUG
Staff Columnist

It seems like every year there is a debate about which pitcher is most deserved of the CY Young Award. In the National League, Atlanta's John Smoltz is having a truly exceptional year, amassing 23 wins and an ERA under three. In the American League, there is no clear cut winner. Fire believes Andy Petite is the logical choice, but I disagree for several reasons.

First, I did underestimate Andy Pettitte's ability and will admit he is a very good pitcher with a bright future. However, I do not believe he has been the most outstanding, dominating pitcher in the league this year, which is what the Cy Young Award symbolizes. His record, 21-8, marks an excellent season, but, despite Fire's belief, the award should not automatically go to the pitcher with the most victories. If you take a closer look at the numbers, Petite's season isn't as outstanding as his won-loss record.

Pettitte has the luxury of pitching for a team that gives him nearly six runs a game. With that type of support, Cleveland's Charles Nagy or Toronto's Pat Hentgen would easily have as many wins as Pettitte. A true Cy Young is consistent throughout an entire season, and Pettitte has not been. Although he has turned it up a notch in September, Pettitte would have been mistaken for a member of the Tigers' staff in July. For the month, his ERA was over *six* and he did not average six innings in any of his starts for the month. However, he still escaped the month with a 2-1 record, thanks to run support.

Fire argues that the lefty's ERA of close to four is due to the increase in runs that are being scored around the league this season. John Smoltz, however, hasn't had a problem, nor has Pat Hentgen, Juan Guzman, Ken Hill and more.

Also, let's look at how Pettitte fared against a team with a powerful lincup, such as Texas. In his three starts versus the Rangers, Pettitte amassed an era of 7.56, yet he still earned victories in two of those starts. Yes, runs are up in the league and, against Texas, Pettitte's performances showed why runs are up. More hits given up (227) than innings pitched (219), 23 home runs served up, and not one month with an ERA under three are indications that Pettitte was the recipient of some very timely offensive outbursts by his Yankee teammates. A very nice season, but not Cy Young material.

So, who is the most deserved candidate in the American League? Well, coincidently he wears the same New York pinstripes as Andy Pettitte. His name is Mariano Rivera.

Fire's argument is that no middle reliever should win a Cy Young award, but like many Yankee fans, he knows that Rivera was easily the most dominant pitcher not only in New York, but in the American League.

Rivera's numbers are good at first glance: 8-3, five saves, a 2.04 ERA. However, look more closely and his season becomes simply unbelievable: 105.2 innings pitched, which is almost unheard of for a reliever; 127 strikeouts; a mere 71 hits surrendered; and 34 walks. His 26 holds lead the AL, and opponents are batting .188 against him. He has surrendered all of one home run, and gave up a total of one run in the months of May and July combined.

Rivera was asked to *fill many roles* for the Yankees throughout the season--in short relief for setting up Wetteland, long relief to bail out an ineffective start by a member of the starting rotation, such as Pettitte, or as closer when Wetteland went down with an injury and he has filled all of them. During the season, Rivera amassed 29 straight innings without allowing a run, then later in the year ran a string of 18.2 innings of scoreless relief. 35 of his appearances were for at least two innings and eight consisted of three innings. One final stat that exhibits Rivera's dominance this year concerns batters that were the first to face him in a game. Of the 54 first batters that faced Rivera, only five reached base, which works out to a meager .093 average. These numbers aren't exactly normal for a reliever, but Mariano Rivera is by no means a normal reliever.

Yes, Andy Pettitte is having a good season and may someday earn a Cy Young award. This year, however, the pitcher that has been the most dominant and is most deserving is Mariano Rivera. Without Wetteland, the Yankees survived. Without David Cone, the Yankees survived. Without Rivera, the Yankees would not be getting ready for the preseason. Rivera is not a normal reliever, but a dominant reliever.

Field Hockey loses to Big East rivals

By J. BRIAN SEIDEL
Staff Reporter

Last week was very frustrating for the field hockey team as it dropped two out of three games, including its first Big East contests of the season.

"Overall, it was a disappointing weekend," said Head Coach Joanie Milhous. "We did not play smart and we lost our winning attitude."

The Cats started the week off strong with an impressive 4-3 overtime win against Lafayette.

"Since becoming the head coach, this was the most exciting game that I have seen here at Villanova," Milhous said.

Sophomore Lucy Durbin led the way with two goals and an assist. Senior Jill Basile also had a strong game recording a goal and an assist.

"We saw a lot of talent in Lucy last year," said Coach Milhous. "She has excellent stick work and a great work ethic."

Freshman Mary Krauss gave the team a 1-0 lead with a little more than 27 minutes remaining in the first half. Following a goal by Lafayette, Lucy Durbin scored and gave 'Nova the lead once again half way through the second period, 2-1.

Durbin recorded her second goal of the game with nine minutes to play giving the team a 3-2 advantage. Lafayette sent the game into overtime capitalizing on a penalty stroke with four minutes left.

In the extra frame, Jill Basile scored the game winner with 10:30 remaining in the first overtime.

Goalie Sarah Wiggin played strong, making five saves to help the team secure the win.

"This game showed how far we have come since last year," said Milhous. "If this were last year, we would have sat back and played defensively. Instead we hung in there, kept attacking and gave 100 percent."

After improving their record to 4-2, the team took two giant steps backwards. The Wildcats ran into a superior Boston College team that defeated the Cats by the score of 3-1.

They were outshot by the Eagles 23-5. The only bright spot to come out of the game was the play of Lucy Durbin. The sophomore scored the Cats only goal, her eighth of the season.

"We lost the game because we played in fear of losing," Milhous said. "Once you are afraid [of losing] you cannot win.

" We only played at 80 percent, and we did not give that extra effort needed to win. That is what happened last year."

The team next took on another Big East opponent in Providence. Milhous' team showed improvements from the prior game, but still lost 3-1.

"Providence wanted it more than us," Coach Milhous said. "Again, we lost our winning attitude that we had in our previous three games."

Milhous felt as though the team could have come out of the weekend with three wins instead of just one.

"I felt that we could have beaten both of those teams [BC and Providence]," said Milhous. "We have to start getting back that winning attitude."

They will have to get that attitude back fast to beat the leaders of the Big East. Connecticut,. Milhous feels that as long as the team plays smart, confident and with a lot of heart, it can defeat the Huskies.

"On any given day any team can beat any other team," Milhous said. " We just need to be confident in ourselves and play the way we know we are capable of playing."

This conference showdown with Connecticut will take place Sunday at noon at Villanova Stadium.

The Villanovan's

Athletes of the Week

Male
Jamie Randall
Water Polo

The team's senior co-captain netted ten goals in the past three games, including four against top-ranked St. Francis.

Female
Lucy Durbin
Field Hockey

The sophomore recorded two goals and an assist in the win over Lafayette and tallied the only goal against BC.

KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

September 30, 1996 marks the end of an era. On Monday night, the Philadelphia Eagles will stomp out the embers of the dying Dallas Cowboys dynasty and will claim dominance in the NFC East.

Granted, this game will not have the drama of the Bounty Bowl of years gone past; alas, Buddy is gone. Also, the division is not the perennial powerhouse it once was. In fact, the Eagles are only a very good team in a poor division.

Despite all of the preceding, the Dallas/Philly match-up is guaranteed to be the highlight of the Monday Night Football season. It may even leave Frank Gifford speechless, and Dan might be limited to only half a dozen Cardinals references.

Yes, it has turned out that spending all of your money on four players is no way to hold together a Super Bowl champion. It's just too bad that the team stayed together as long as it did, or else Barry Switzer would have been exposed for the lobotomized Bubba he really is before he fell into the Super Bowl victory that gives him some legitimacy.

"Dallas is still Dallas," said Coach Ray Rhodes. Well, not exactly coach. The old Dallas didn't dominate by running for a measly 91.5 yards a game, and the old Emmitt averaged more than 3.3 yards per carry. And those numbers aren't going anywhere but down against the Birds.

Through the air, things won't be any better for the Boys. With both Michael Irvin and Kevin Williams out, Deion will get quite a work out. And I guarantee that Bobby Taylor is not going to miss this chance to prove he's ready for Prime Time.

When the good guys have the ball, the situation's set for another offensive explosion. A Monday night game against Dallas is the kind of thing Ricky Watters lives for. It absolutely kills Ricky when the guys on talk radio say (at least three dozen times a week) that he'll never be a Barry Sanders or an Emmitt Smith. A head-to-head match-up with Smith, where all the momentum is in Ricky's favor, is the perfect venue for him to give his detractors the proverbial finger by running all over Big D.

A Birds' win over Dallas is tantamount to the end of the Cowboys' chance at a playoff berth. While it does not necessarily equate into the start of an Eagles dynasty, it most certainly signals the death of Dallas', and, for Philadelphians, that's almost as good.

Spurrier exudes coaching superiority

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

Steve Spurrier is a dominator. He is the sole governor of Florida Gator football. The glib and often tyrannical Spurrier has compiled a remarkable record with every team he has dictated. As a player he won the 1966 Heisman Trophy while quarterbacking the Gators.

So why is this man one of the most hated figures in sports? Doesn't winning have a beneficial effect on sports fans? Maybe it is his condescending methods in dealing with the media or his knack for running up the score against woeful SEC opponents that makes him hated. Or maybe it is simply because Steve Spurrier flaunts his ingenious capabilities that deal with much more than the game of football.

When the then-No. 4 Gators stepped into Neyland Stadium on the campus of the University of Tennessee for their monumental clash with the then-No. 2 Volunteers this past Saturday, they figured to be in a dog fight for the inside track to the national championship. The game was billed as the "game of the decade" by Tennessee fans. A new college football attendance record was to be set with some 107,000 football enthusiasts wedged in to see this great game.

Some game. Florida came out with everything clicking and before you could blink an eye the score was 35-0 in the second quarter. Sure the final score was 35-29, but the game was over before it started. Spurrier's game plan was infallible. This high risk, go for the jugular, approach that Spurrier incorporates into all his game plans was absolutely perfect.

After the game I'm sure Coach Spurrier was snickering about all of this pre-game hype. After all, it was just another showcase of his shrewd and haughty mind.

The intricacies of his offense are so complex that it boggles even the greatest football minds. It takes someone who is intelligent and humble to run his scheme, and this is exactly what Florida quarterback and Heisman hopeful Danny Wuerffel is. Wuerffel, the 1995 GTE Academic All-American of the Year, has been learning this system since his freshman year when he signaled in the plays from the sideline. And now he has mastered it. He also is extremely exceptional in dealing with Spurrier's vocal and demanding personality. This is something that most quarterbacks who come to Florida have trouble doing.

Terry Dean, the ex-Gator quarterback who was heralded as a possible Heisman Trophy candidate in 1993, found himself on the bench after four games because he questioned Spurrier's play calling and talked back to him. A no-no in Spurrier's book.

Spurrier demands the utmost dedication from all his players. This past week he scheduled an extra two-hour practice after promising his players a three-day weekend without any practice so they could go home to visit their folks. Not one player uttered a peep. They didn't say a word when Spurrier ordered them to do extra wind sprints after they only beat Southwestern Louisiana by 34 points. However, some Florida players did speak up the week prior to the Tennessee game when they voiced their opinion on the Vols' heralded quarterback Peyton Manning. And these words were not exactly complementary to Manning or the Tennessee football program.

Spurrier apologized for their actions but their actions were just a reflection of their coach's brash personality. You can't blame Spurrier for his players trying to emulate their great general.

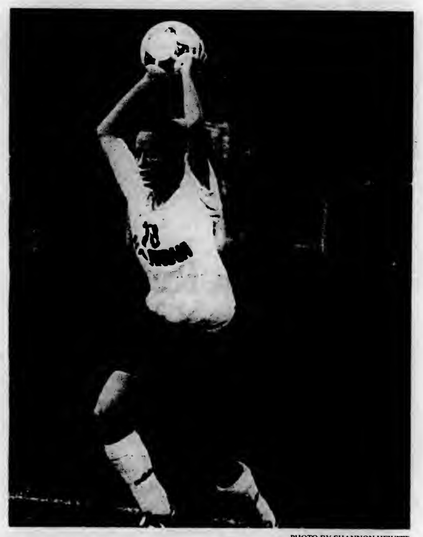
After the Gators took a pounding last year at the hands of national champion Nebraska in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, Spurrier, the consummate perfectionist, went out to look for a defensive coordinator to perfect his team on the other side of the ball.

He called on Kansas State defensive coordinator Bob Stoops, who had led the Wildcats to a Top 10 defensive ranking in the nation. Of course Stoops immediately accepted, who wouldn't want to play for a head coach who is so dedicated to demoralizing his opponents?

So far this year under Stoops, Florida has had six defensive touchdowns compared to last year's one. Spurrier actually put his ego aside and admitted to needing some defensive help. Anything to perfect his creation.

Coach Spurrier, or Coach Superior, whichever you prefer, will always win. His dogged preciseness, confidence, and conviction will ensure that he does.

His style and approach may not be revered by many, but his results do not lie. He wins ball games. Just ask those overwhelmed orange and white clad Volunteer fans.



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The Cats have been coping with a tough schedule all season, and it's not about to let up. The Cats fce No. 5 UConn Sunday on West Campus.

Women's soccer loses to top ranked PSU, Wake Forest

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team (3-5, 1-1) went 1-2 last week beating Maine and losing to two tough teams in No. 19 Penn State and ACC force Wake Forest.

On Sept. 18, the Cats traveled to Penn State and battled their third top 25 opponent of the young season. The undefeated Nittany Lions dismantled 'Nova outshooting them 13-3 and posting a 4-0 victory.

This weekend, Villanova continued its road trip with a tournament at Rutgers University. Friday's game saw Villanova get plenty of shots, but it also featured the tremendous goaltending of the Wake Forest keeper. The Wildcats got their lone goal in the second half when junior midfielder Molly Bushman scored on a direct kick. The final score was 5-1.

In the second game of the weekend, the Wildcats battled the University of Maine. Registering a staggering 25 shots on goal and holding Maine's offense in check, the Cats posted a 2-1 victory. The opening half featured first collegiate goals for freshmen Lauren Sellers and Briar MacAdams.

Sellers scored her goal five minutes into the contest when she put the ball in the net during a wild scramble in front of the Maine goal. MacAdams put the Cats ahead for good when she converted on a cross from Sellers with 15 minutes remaining in the half.

Villanova goaltender Jeanne Hennessy put in a strong effort only being beaten once on a Maine breakaway.

On Sunday, 'Nova will face their biggest test of the season as they continue their grueling schedule with a game against No. 5 Connecticut. Connecticut is coming off of a 12-0 rout of Georgetown. The game will be at home at 1pm. On Tuesday, the Cats will face Rutgers.

Composite Schedule for Home Games

Sun. Sept. 29	Field Hockey vs. UConn	12:00 p.m.
	Women's Soccer vs. UConn	1:00 p.m.
	Tennis vs. Bucknell	TBA
Tues. Oct. 1	Men's Soccer vs. St. John's	3:30 p.m.
Wed. Oct. 2	Field Hockey vs. Rutgers	7:30 p.m.
Thurs. Oct. 3	Tennis vs. Lafayette	3:00 p.m.

New Wildcat offense

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There were some difficulties when Clawson first installed the system during the 15 days of spring practices, but the team is obviously now very comfortable.

"It was hard in the spring," acknowledged Sifford. "We had to start from scratch, but we've got it down pretty good now."

The Cats' battle-tested offensive machine is definitely rolling, and is ready to charge headfirst into Yankee Conference battle.

"It's a perfect scenario for us," Talley said. "The biggest thing that's happened is that there's a lot of confidence.

"The defense has been able to feed off of the offense. We weren't getting that last year. Now there's confidence on both sides of the ball."

Tennis loses tough match to Delaware

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
Staff Reporter

The women's tennis team looked to build on its first win on the year against Delaware last week. The Lady Wildcats lost their match 6-1. Sophomores Julie Bonner and Dorothy Bellock performed well. Bonner produced the only win against the team's first stiff competitor of the year (6-2, 6-3).

The Wildcats faced West Chester on Sept. 19. They won a convincing contest 7-0. Singles play looked strong as freshman Katie O'Brien (No. 3) and junior Meghan Daniels (No. 4) won their matches 6-0, 6-0 and 6-2, 6-0, respectively.

The doubles teams of Julie Bonner/Katie O'Brien (No. 1) and Meghan Daniels/Katie Cooper (No. 2) also played well. Each team won by a score of 8-6.

Despite the win, Head Coach Bob Batman and Associate Head Coach Steve Reinigr look to improve the team's doubles play. As it stands, the team's record is 2 - 1.

Over the course of a week the women's tennis team will play five matches.

Today they will play the make-up match against Loyola which was postponed due to rain. Loyola will be a "good test against two balanced teams," said Coach Batman.

The next test will come against Bucknell on Sunday.

On Monday, the Wildcats face Drexel. St. Joseph is the opponent on Tuesday.

Thursday, the Wildcats face Lafayette. How the team's attitude holds up will account for its outcome. Bucknell and Lafayette should be the toughest tests.

Senior Co-captain Christina Grasso will miss the rest of the fall season due to injury. The team looks to its inexperienced players to play well and to produce.

Men's soccer falters against tough Big East foes

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Villanova men's soccer team traveled to New England last week for two contests. The Cats, however, were unable to improve their record, as they tied Boston College and recorded a loss to Providence, bringing their overall record to 2-3-2, 1-2-1 in the Big East.

On Friday, Sept. 20, the Wildcats traveled to Chesnut Hill, Mass. to battle the Boston College Eagles. During the first half, Villanova started the scoring with a goal from senior John Correll, with senior Mike Paskey recording the assist. This goal would give the Cats a 1-0 lead.

The Cats defense would hold the score, not permitting the Eagles to score during the first half of the game. It was not until the second half that Boston College recorded its first goal to tie things up at one apiece. 'Nova would not give up during the second half when goalie Matt Westfall helped Correll drive the ball pass the opponent's goalie for his second goal of the contest. This tally gave the Cats their second lead of the game.

Correll has been a consistent contributor for the Cats this season, leading the team with four goals and nine points. For his efforts against the Eagles, he was named Man of the Match. Despite the goal to give the Cats the lead, their defense was unable to stop the Eagles from tying up the contest again late in the match. At the end of regulation the teams would be tied. Neither team was unable to produce a goal in overtime, each team coming away with a tie.

"The team played very well in front of a crowd of 2,500," stated Head Coach Larry Sullivan.

On Sunday, Sept.22, the Cats traveled to Rhode Island to face the Providence Fryars. After the grueling match against BC, the Cats would fall short against the Friars. Providence recorded the first goal of the game 15 minutes into the first half when Bobby Brown blasted a shot from the corner that got by Westfall. Providence would add an insurance goal from Andy McConville late in the first half.

Although 'Nova was unable to drive the ball passed the Friar goalie, they recorded 13 shots on goal, tying Providence's shot total. A good effort from senior midfielder Mike Paskey was unable to stop the commanding Friars. For this effort, Sullivan named Paskey Man of the Match.

"He was on fire," stated Sullivan. "He did everything right."

Correll had another superb outing on offense, recording five of 13 shots, bringing his total for the season to 14. Defenseman James Cocoran and midfielder Connor Porter each recorded three shots on goal. Corcoran now leads the team with a total of 16 shots on goal.

In order to contend for the Big East crown, Villanova must improve its record. The Wildcats now look to take on St. John's at home on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 3:30 p.m.

FILE PHOTO

Senior Co-captain Bill Reid, who sat out last season with an injury, has been a defensive mainstay this season.

At last Wildcats' Finneran is making a name for himself

By JON NEHLSEN
Sports Editor

Before this season, Villanova football fans knew Brian Finneran was good. After all, the junior receiver set school records his freshman year in receptions (56) and receiving yards (805). After all, he started the season ranked seventh all-time in receiving yards for Villanova, a stat which is more impressive when one considers Finneran was plagued by a shoulder injury during his sophomore campaign.

But what is unique about the Wildcat's main offensive weapon is that he is so quiet about what he has done. In the bravado world of major college sports, he just does his job and goes home. As a result, despite his amazing ability, Finneran has gone largely unnoticed in the public eye. To say that this is the junior's debutante season is a bit of an overstatement, but 1996 marks the year that fans beyond the Main Line are realizing exactly how good Finneran really is.

As the Wildcats have struggled with offensive production in the passed few seasons, Head Coach Andy Talley resolved to make major changes for the 1996 season. Obviously recognizing the caliber of talent in his receiving core, the team implemented a revolutionary offensive scheme. The new West Coast-style offense would highlight Finneran's unique ability.

"I was really excited when I heard about the new offense," Finneran said. "It gives the receivers a chance to get the ball a little bit more. It gives us all a chance to show what we've got."

Indeed, the team has done just that. In four games, the squad has tallied 154 points, an average of 38.5 ppg.

"Everyone is using their talents to the best of their abilities," Finneran stated. "We are starting to really come together."

The team's success coupled with legitimate big-time talent like Finneran prompt many Villanova enthusiasts to consider a possible rise to the I-A ranks. Finneran, remaining true to character, reacts shyly to these musings. But the glimmer in his eye tells another story.

"There are a lot a great athletes up there," said th junior. "I am really not sure how we'd hold our own. It would be great, though, great for the program."

But what exactly is it that makes the junior so good? First, Finneran hands are arguably as good as anyone's at the I-AA level. Second, the precision of his pass routes are unparalleled. Regardless of the speed and agility of opposing defensive backs, Finneran always seems to be open. At one point in the Fordham game, he caught passes for first downs on three consecutive plays.

While he may not have the open field speed of most professional receivers, his uncanny football instincts should make Finneran an attractive commodity to NFL teams.

"I am not thinking that far ahead right now," Finneran said. "I am just concentrating on what I have to do here at Villanova."

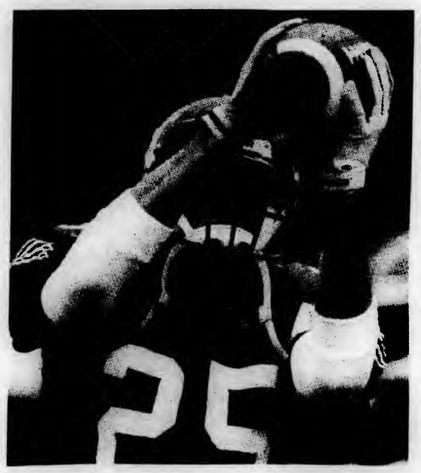
But at a rare unguarded moment, the junior concedes, "It would be great if I could get a couple of tryouts with some teams."

Finneran, while modest, understand the importance of long-term vision. It is obvious that he has more than football on his mind as he cradles his two year-old son in his arms. Brian, his wife and the toddler reside off-campus. He confidently downplays the difficulty of being a student-athlete and having responsibilities to a family.

"It's not too bad, it keeps me out of trouble," said the business major. "Having a family helps me stay focused on what is important, what I have to do in life."

The journey to the Main Line was a long one for Finneran. He and his twin brother, Brad, came to Villanova in 1994 from Mission Viejo, Cal. The duo is part of a larger West Coast recruiting effort that the team has made in the passed few years. Finneran attributes the university's fine academic reputation as well as the quality of his recruiting visit as the reasons for choosing Villanova.

And 'Nova fans are glad he did. So far this season, Finneran has hauled in 35 passes for 512 yards and two touchdowns. His best performance was a 10 catch, 166-yard effort against Rutgers. Keep in mind that this was against a Division I-A opponent. The receiver's ability to rise to that sort of challenge is the hall mark of a true champion. It won't be long before, football fans far and wide notice that one of the country's best receivers plays on Lancaster Avenue. Still, Brian Finneran remains modest about his accomplishments.



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Junior sensation Brian Finneran is always good for a clutch reception. Number 25 should capture his fair share of school records before his tenure is complete. Enjoy watching him, Nova fans, talent like this is few and far between.

Golf poised for Big East Tournament

By JAMIE NOONAN
Staff Reporter

With the recent string of rainy days and cooler temperatures, the first sport that comes to mind might not be golf, but the Villanova Golf team has been practicing hard, having already had two matches. This year's team looks to continue last year's momentum when they finished third in its last two tournaments.

The golf team has been playing since tryouts began in late August. There were only three roster spots open for this year's team. Nine exemptions were given to three upperclassmen and six freshmen.

The other three spots were filled by the players who shot the lowest scores during tryouts.

Tryouts this year were held at an area public course. Twenty-five golfers vied for the final three open spots. Following the two days of play, the golfers with the lowest three scores made the team.

To say that this year's team is young would be an understatement. The team has no seniors, three juniors, two sophomores and seven freshmen. While this is a lot of new faces, coach Jake Moran does not seem worried.

"These are the best golfers we have, they shot the lowest rounds during tryouts," said Moran. "It does not matter what year they are."

The team's first match of the year took place back in early September at the Colgate-Cornell Golf Invitational. It was a two day tournament in which the teams played at the Colgate Seven Oaks Golf Course on the first day and Robert Trent Jones Golf Course on the second day. Five golfers made up Villanova's team.

In order to decide who would go, the team followed the same process it does for each tournament. It had a qualifying tournament within the team prior to the tournament.

Usually the qualifier consists of two rounds of 18 holes with the lowest combined scorers making it. If the team cannot play 36 holes then they will play only 18. If any ties occur, the coaches will make the decision on who goes.

The team played well finishing the tournament in ninth place out of 19 teams. The Wildcats showed improvement when they shot 329 as a team the first day and then 317 the second day. Pete Dlugosch was the low scorer for 'Nova, shooting a two day total of 157. His score was the 15th lowest individual score in the tournament. Dugan Condon finished close behind with a two day total of 158. Captain John Horky (162), Tom Mulrooney (169) and John Grinnon (175) rounded out the Villanova squad.

The second tournament of the year was the Bucknell Invitational at the Bucknell Golf Course. Once again the Wildcats showed improvement, finishing tied for fifth in the 15-team tournament. The second day of the tournament proved tough as fog delayed play for an hour and a half.

"It's tough to play when you can't see the fairways and greens," said Moran.

The fog seemed to bother Condon, as he shot seven strokes higher on the second day, but still finished in 12th place individually with a score of 155. Grinnon (157), Dlugosch (158), Shookus (160), Horky (162) and Mulrooney (172) rounded out the scores for Villanova.

With the first two tournaments under its belt, the golf team heads into the Big East Championships this weekend at the TPC. at Avenel in Potomac, Md. This is the same course the professionals play each year for the Kemper Open.

The practice round is today and the two day tournament starts tomorrow. Those going for 'Nova include Horky, Grinnon, Condon, Dlugosch and Shookus. The main competition for the Wildcats should be from Notre Dame, UConn and Georgetown.

Even though Horky is the only one with Big East experience, he feels confident about the team's chances.

"While the team may be young, the young guys have really been playing well," said Horky. "If we're all on our games at the right time we can bring the Big East Title back to Villanova for the first time in a while."

S P O R T S

Wildcats run over Fordham, 49-10

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Fordham Rams tried every trick in the book last Saturday to upset a Villanova team playing its best football in four years. But not even the most elusive slight-of-hand could have stopped the Wildcats from drubbing the Rams.

After recording their biggest win in years by defeating Yankee Conference foe Delaware a week prior, the Cats came out and stymied Fordham, 49-10, in front of 12,357 fans at Villanova Stadium. The win boosted the Wildcats to No. 15 in the Division I-AA polls.

"This is a mature football team and we told them to come out and play your game," said Head Coach Andy Talley. "I think they listened."

The tone for a Villanova romp was set early by the smothering Wildcat defense. The Cats forced the Rams to go three-and-out on their first three possessions of the game while also gaining the territorial edge with some key sacks.

The Wildcat offense, whose average starting field position in the first half was its own 46-yard line, took advantage of the defense's efforts and tallied 35 first-half points, exploding for 28 in the second quarter. With a 35-point lead against an undermanned Fordham squad at halftime, Villanova barely had to show up in the second half to seal the victory.

Unlike their victories against Delaware and UMass in which the Wildcats dominated offensively from the outset of the game, the offense struggled early against Fordham, failing to score on its opening drive for the first time this season. The offensive line, which had been solid through the first three games, struggled against Fordham's blitzing defense. The Rams' pressure forced quarterback Clint Park and the Villanova offense to stutter in their early possessions.

"We were out of sync early on," said Talley. "We were missing some things."

It would take the Wildcats three possessions and a big play from special teams to record their first score. 'Nova's defense forced Fordham to punt from its own 1-yard line on its second possession. Returner Ron Withelder received the ball at the Rams' 47 and, with the help from a crushing block by Ed Diaz, ran it back to the Rams' two. On the next play from scrimmage Todd Golemi would go in for the touchdown, giving the Cats a 7-0 lead with 8:28 left in the first quarter.

The Wildcats would then go on to score touchdowns on four of their next five possessions.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter
VU Golemi 2 run (Kiefer kick)

Second Quarter
VU Bri Finneran 10 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU Sifford 9 run (Kiefer kick)
VU Cowsette 2 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU Cowsette 1 run (Kiefer kick)

Third Quarter
VU Turner 33 blocked punt return (Tink kick)
VU Sifford 11 run (Tink kick)

Fourth Quarter
FU Ruoff 28 field goal
FU McDermott 7 pass from Colonna (Ruoff kick)

All-America candidate Brian Finneran would tally the Cats' second touchdown on a 10-yard pass from Park. The touchdown was set up by 23 and 22-yard catches by Finneran, both part of the 80-yard, nine play drive.

For the day Park went 15 of 22 for 206 yards and two touchdowns. Seven of his completions were to Finneran, who collected 108 yards and a touchdown. The contest was the third time in four games that Finneran broke the century mark.

On the ground, Villanova was able to control the ball as Curtis Sifford (9-78) and Anthony Cowsette (4-40) shared most of the duties.

"They [Villanova] have too many weapons," said Fordham Head Coach Nick Quartaro. "They're one of the more talented teams in the Yankee Conference."

The key contributors on defense were linebacker Curtis Dunaway and lineman Derek Forgione, who each collected two of Villanova's six sacks.

"[Fordham's] offense is similar to ours," said Dunaway, "so we were prepared for this game."

The Wildcats were also successful on special teams, as Ademole Turner returned a blocked punt 33 yards forthe first touchdown of the second half.

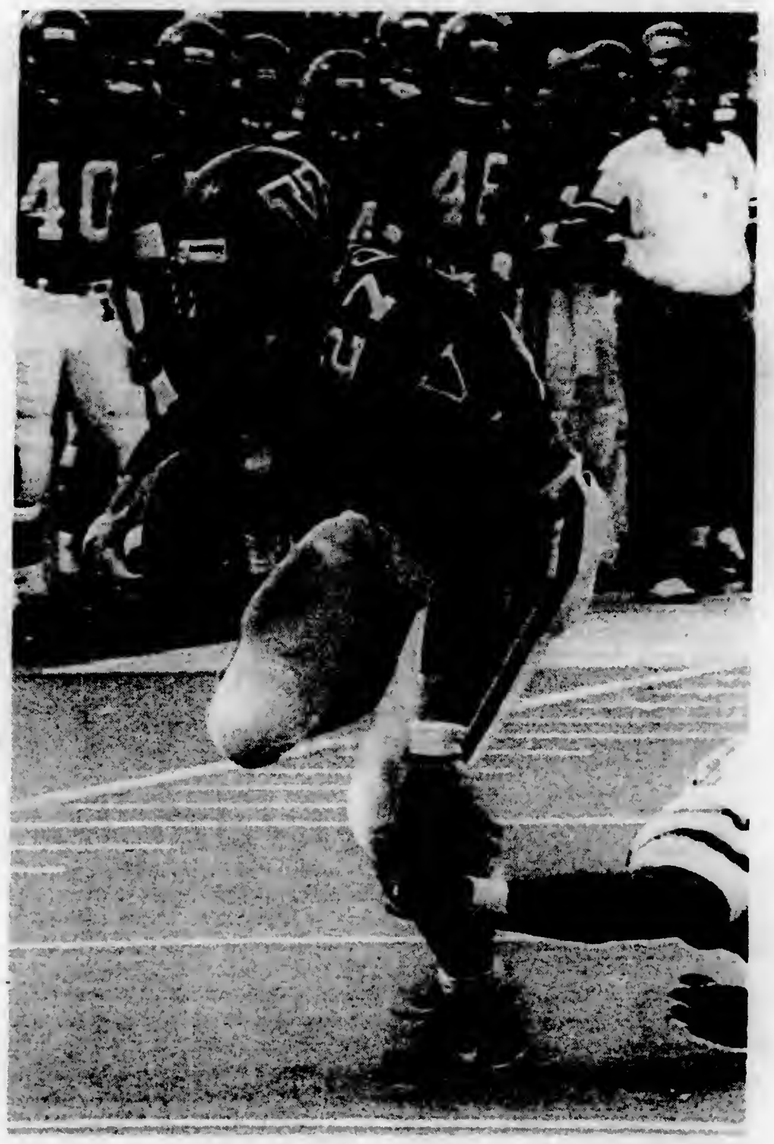
Villanova's only other score in the half came later in the third quarter when Sifford ran the ball in from 11 yards out for 49-0 lead.

With most of the starters out of the game going into the fourth quarter, the only question remaining was whether 'Nova could preserve their second consecutive shutout, something that had not been accomplished since 1964. Fordham answered this question when place kicker Mark Ruoff hit a 28-yard field goal with six and a half minutes remaining. The Rams would score again, this time a touchdown, with a little over a minute left in the game.

With wins over Fordham, Delaware and Massachusetts, the Wildcats (3-1, 1-0) now look poised to take on any competition. More importantly, they have the ability and attitude to do so.

"This team is faster, stronger, and more athletic than any team I played on since 1992," said Dunaway.

That was the last year Villanova made it to the playoffs.



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Running back Todd Golemi eludes a Fordham defender. The sophomore scored the first touchdown against the Rams.

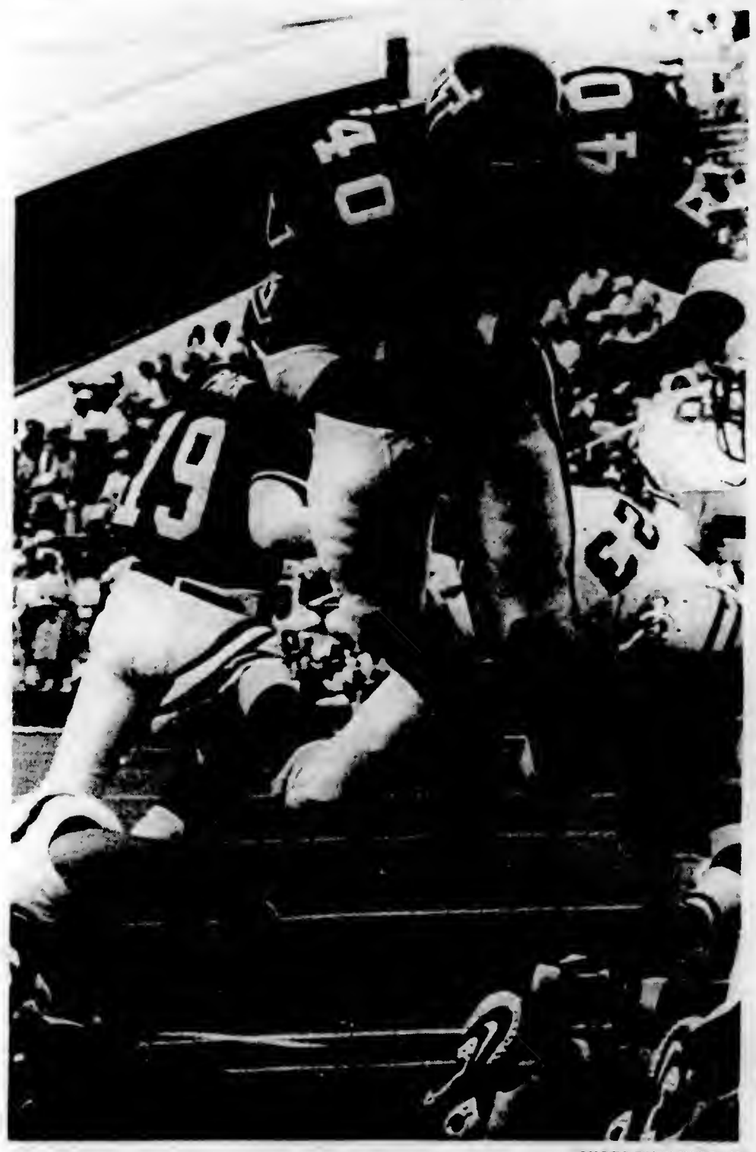

PHOTO BY AMY DRAKE
Anthony Cowsette goes up and over the pile for the score. The senior fullback was last spotted somwhere over Ardmore.

The new offense: Niners, Packers, Eagles...Wildcats?

By DON MEIER
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If you have been down to the Stadium this season to watch the Cats play some football, you have probably noticed some changes. First of all, they are winning for the first time in a few years. You may also have noticed one of the main reasons for the upswing this season, a revamped offensive system installed under the team's new Offensive Coordinator Dave Clawson.

The differences between the team's record this season and last are obvious. The Cats (3-1) have already equaled last season's win total after four games. The offensive production is the main reason for the turnaround. The defense was relatively strong last year, and is overpowering this season. Last year's sputtering offense managed only 17.6 points per contest. This year, against a number of good teams, the team has lit up the scoreboards for an average of 38.5 points per game.

"[Clawson's] style of offense is something that we once ran here, and we got away from it," said Head Coach Andy Talley. "I really needed a coordinator that I felt was current, and they had been having a lot of success at Lehigh. I knew who I wanted. He's bright, he's articulate, he's a leader, and he had the package that I was looking for."

Clawson was also interested in coming to Villanova.

"I was excited to talk to him," Clawson said, "and the more I talked to him, and the more that I watched Villanova on film from last year, I thought that this would be a good opportunity."

Many casual observers have classified the new system as a "West Coast" offense. Clawson disagrees.

"West Coast is a loose term that's such a buzzword right now," Clawson said. "We do some things that are West Coast-like, but I would never say that we are a West Coast offense. We're a derivation of it.

"A lot of principles of attack of the West Coast offense we certainly use," Clawson continued, "but we line up in different ways. The thing about the system is that it's able to adapt for personnel. We have to play our good players. Right now we have some very good receivers here, and that's why we line up with three wide receivers a lot. We don't really run the Bill Walsh [San Francisco '49ers] system."

Talley agrees that the system's adaptability is a definite plus.

"I think that the offense compliments the talent that we have," Talley commented. "We have several wide receivers that are very good . . . and we don't have a lot of running backs, but in this offense you don't need a lot of running backs, so the running backs that we have fit the scheme beautifully."

As illustrated by their execution thus far, the players are also very happy with the system. It sits especially well with the man in charge of running the offense on the field, the team's quarterback, Clint Park.

"It's a very good offense," Park said. "You should never be running a bad play into the defense. It's up to the quarterback to make the right read on every play."

Park also feels that the offense works well with his talents, even though it has cut down on his scrambling.

"I like to run, but it's very discouraged in this offense," Park said. "But I don't mind, I can throw for more yards and still run for some."

The offense also downplays Park's lack of a strong arm.

"I don't have the strongest arm in the world, but you don't really need to have a strong arm in this offense, which helps me a lot," Park said.

The receivers, too, are profiting immensely from the new offense. Star receivers Brian Finneran and Josh Dolbin have both had a number of banner games.

Junior tailback Curtis Sifford also likes the system, despite its de-emphasization of the running back. He understands that in this system he and the other backs that see the bulk of the playing time (senior Anthony Cowsette and sophomore Todd Golemi) will be doing more receiving and blocking than they were accustomed to.

"It's a great offense," said Sifford. "[Clawson's] the key to our success this season. He's turned the whole thing around. We have confidence now."

Clawson downplays his role in the turnaround, instead attributing it to his players' execution of his system. Neither will take credit for "inventing" the system.

"Most ideas in football are borrowed or stolen," Clawson observed. "A lot of it comes from a guy I worked for at Lehigh for one year before I was coordinator by the name of Hank Small. A lot of the principles of the pass game I learned from him and the run game is things that I liked that I thought fit well in the system."

Clawson also added that the offense will continue to evolve.

"As defenses change, offenses have to adapt," Clawson said. "So nothing can stay the same."

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Tough zoning laws force students out of their homes

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At least four Villanova students in the Lower Merion Township have been notified of their housing violation of having more than three unrelated people in one residency.

Kathleen Byrnes, assistant to the dean of Students, said that to her knowledge, no one was physically evicted yet, however the students have to move because "they can't afford to live there [because the rent is so extreme for three people]." According to Bob Duncan, zoning officer for the Lower MerionTownship, if the students do not comply to these orders they are subject to fines up to $500 a day.

Seniors Rae Obenski and Kate Hess have already moved out of their house on Thomas Avenue. They and the other three girls living with them have had to split up and find housing elsewhere. Speaking of the University's reaction to such events, Obenski stated, "They don't recognize it as an issue, so it must not be one." She said that the landlord charged such a high rent that three people could not afford to live there on their own.

There were five girls living in a house with five bedrooms and apparently, prior to leasing, the landlord said that was acceptable even though they were not in compliance with the zoning laws. But the situation proved to be different. Hess said, "seniors have a lot to juggle right now," implying that this housing issue is an added and unwanted dilemma.

Apparently, neighbors have been complaining of loud parties for years as a result of the student population in the area. Duncan stated that these most recent investigations began as a result of the neighbors' complaints. He said the law of no more than three unrelated people in one house has "always been like that, and I don't foresee it changing." Apparently neighbors feel that when the students move into residential neighborhoods problems such as over-crowding of property and lack of parking spaces are created. He added that when students move into a residential neighborhood, the atmosphere is altered because the students bring on a "dormitory" aura. He said, "students tend to live different." They keep different hours than those residents that have nine to five jobs.

Byrnes claimed that the University is helping by providing legal advice for the students, as well as working with Rev. Frank Farsaci, O.S.A., in Residence Life, regarding resources for students to find a new place to live. She said that the University does not intervene with the township because "that's antagonizing." She advised, "the best route is complete compliance with the ordinance." However, she understands the situation with the unaffordable rent and said that students can avoid complications by being aware of the parking (only having three cars), not having loud parties, or anything that would draw attention and to have a non-disturbing influence in the neighborhood. She said, "The township would probably be happy if all the students could live on campus."

Obenski and Hess are currently waiting on the return of last months rent and their security deposit, and they are in "legal straits" with their landlord. Obenski didn't realize that the University would not be involved after students moved off campus. Hess knew that the University only offered three years of on-campus housing, however, she said, "We'd like to feel they [the University] were there a little more for us." She thought that the University should have a little more influence in community relations, at least some recognition that this is a problem. She is aware of the necessity for a harmonious balance between the students and neighbors but she emphasized, "the students aren't going to move out of Bryn Mawr. It's not go-

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Local zoning laws threaten Villanova students with evictions from Thomas Avenue. PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

Recent oil leak at the Bryn Mawr Courts investigated by police

By CLAIRE REHWINKEL
News Editor

Residents of the Bryn Mawr Courts had to be evacuated on Sept. 28, due to an oil-leak which is currently under police investigation, Lower Merion Township fire officials said.

"Around 4:47 p.m., Saturday night, we [Lower Merion Fire Dept.] were dispatched to take care of oil fumes in the building," said Deputy Chief Albert Brown. "Our service was in response to a PECO [Philadelphia Electric Co.] problem," said Brown.

Once on location, Lower Merion fire officials discovered, "eight inches deep of oil and water on the boiler room floor. The oil was on top and the water was on the bottom," Brown said. Immediately the building's supplies were shut off and the residents were evacuated from the premises.

"It appeared to be vandalism," said Brown, "so the police were called to the scene to investigate." A spill control company was also brought on sight to pump the oil from the basement of the Bryn Mawr Courts into their own supply tanks, Brown said. Meanwhile, the Lower Merion Fire Dept. installed fans to rid the area of the oil fumes.

"The whole job took about six hours from start to finish," said Brown. "It was a long clean-up process," said Brown. "But the situation was under control, and students were allowed to return later that night," he said.

CBS College Tour brings games and prizes to campus

By VIVIAN BLANCO
Staff Reporter

The CBS College Tour visited the University Sept. 25, and set up tents and booths outside of the Connelly Center, enabling students to play games for prizes.

"The CBS Tour comes to campus every year in the fall. It is a way for CBS to publicize its shows. It's free for the school and students," said Meghan Mooney, assistant director of Student Development.

"It's all run by the Special Events Committee and CAT [the Campus Activities Team]. I especially want to mention Wendy Lanyen for all her work in coordinating it," Mooney added.

CBS makes its way around many campuses promoting itself with games based on its shows.

"It's a whole college tour. It's been going on for at least the last four to five years here at the University," Mooney said.

"The biggest part is coordinating the student workers. Mooney said, "It's a good opportunity because the students get paid by CBS."

Students helped unload the trucks and set up the tents and equipment. Some students were announcers, while others tried to get Villanovans involved with the activities. When the event was over, these students took down the tents and loaded them into the trucks, Mooney said.

"We try and balance the solicitors that come on campus. The CBS Tour has always been fun for students because they get to play games and win prizes," said Mooney.

The prizes varied from T-shirts and boxer-shorts to a 1997 Ford Escort LX. Students were also bombarded with free samples from various sponsors. Included was makeup from L'Oreal, candy from Nestle and different brands of medicine.

The games varied from CBS News trivia, top ten lists from the Late Night Show, basketball hoops, videos, stand-up comedy and drawings.

"There's also a CBS Sports Tour in the spring, out on Sheehan Beach," said Mooney.

PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN

Students win prizes showing their game show prowess at the CBS College Tour.

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EDITORIALS

Patterson gives us yet another brillaint insight from his travels in Israel. Once again, On the Marc shows why he's so much more politically astute than the paid professionals who produce all that negative campaign advertising. Also, Ann Gavaghan writes about something that nobody cares about. Finally, read about some girls who think dining hall workers should keep their urine to themselves.

FEATURES

Check out how one student's experiences in Israel affect how he reads the daily headlines (Another article on Israel? What is this the Jerusalem Post?). Also, find out the scoop behind the guys who steal all the free samples you should be getting in your mail. Finally, see what fashions fall will bring to campus. Call me crazy, but I'm guessing J. Crew.

ENTERTAINMENT

Apparently, Tom Hanks has yet to regain the form he perfected in Bachelor Party. His new movie about some singers or something ain't no The Man with One Red Shoe. Check out the great Kiss interview. Find out how Gene Simmons fit his big fat gut into that leather body suit. You've been chomping at the bit to find out what happens in the next episode of X-Wing. Finally, find out if a film about cultural stuff is any more entertaining than the Flobee commercial.

SPORTS

All you big nasty offensive linemen out there can call the Villanovan to get Don Meier's home phone number. I'm sure you'll want to discuss his article with him. It says something about you all being big fat slobs. Too bad, no Fire and Ice this week, but you can get your sports entertainment fix from this week's Intramural page.

Volunteers prepare to build homes for needy during Fall Break trips

By REBECCA ROCCO
Staff Reporter

Eight groups of Campus Ministry volunteers are busy preparing for Habitat for Humanity trips over this upcoming Fall Break.

Students will be traveling all over the country to help families in need. These Habitat for Humanity destinations include North Carolina, South Carolina, New Orleans, Oregon, Mississippi and Georgia.

Habitat for Humanity is an international organization founded in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller. Millard Fuller won the Peace and Justice award from Villanova University. The program is a non-profit, ecumenical, Christian housing ministry, dedicated to eliminating poverty in housing.

This program is based on volunteer labor and donations of money and materials. The volunteers build and renovate houses in partnership with homeowner families. These houses are then sold to the families at a no interest, no profit cost. If a family wishes to own the house, it is required to contribute 500 hours of labor. The volunteers then work with them. Habitat for Humanity is now a worldwide program with volunteers on all five continents.

Habitat for Humanity started at the University eight years ago. A group of Villanova students gave of themselves during breaks by going to different parts of the country and serving the poor. The University now sends the largest number of participants to Habitat break trips in the nation.

To get involved with this program at the University, students must submit an application to Campus Ministry. A team of people review these applications. Noreen Cameron of Campus Ministry states that volunteers are usually selected by class status and whether or not he/she has ever been on a Habitat trip. Therefore, a senior who has never been on a trip before has a high probability of getting chosen, said Cameron.

When the group is selected, the volunteers are committed to a series of meetings to prepare them for the trip. The first meeting deals with poverty. The purpose of this meeting for the volunteers to get to know one another. Other meetings include community building, reflection and fundraising. Students also learn how to use the equipment and power tools at skills workshops.

Volunteers must also raise money for these trips. Various businesses have donated items such as pizzas and hot dogs for the students to sell. Some students stand in front of local supermarkets collecting donations, while others might sell raffle tickets. Each student going on a trip is encouraged to ask their parishes or different civic organizations for donations. Preparation is a big factor in getting one of these trips off the ground, said Cameron.

Scholar shares analysis of urban street culture

By CAROLYN FLOOD
Staff Reporter

The Center for Peace and Justice Education sponsored a lecture titled *The Social Context of Urban Youth Violence* in which Elijah Anderson, the Charles and William L. Day professor of social sciences at the University of Pennsylvania, spoke on youth violence in urban cities.

Anderson is an expert on the sociology of black America, the author of the widely regarded sociological work, *A Place on the Corner: A Study of Black Street Corner Men* (1978) and numerous articles on the black experience. Anderson recently published an ethnographic study, *Streetwise: Race, Class and Change in an Urban Community* (1990) and is the winner of the 1991 Robert E. Park Prize of the American Sociological Association.

During his talk, Anderson stressed the fact that America is undergoing a profound change. "America is changing from a manufacturing society to a service society," he said. Anderson also said that crime is no longer limited to cities. America is experiencing an increase in "violence, drug use, crime and teen-age pregnancy."

American society is moving toward a global economy, factory workers are competing with people all over the world who will work for a fraction of the price. Because many factories are being closed, there is a job shortage. Anderson said that "there is a feeling of alienation and a lack of hope for the future."

Anderson also explained that there is a "street culture." People learn to handle themselves on the street. He said there is a " lack of faith in the police in the inner-cities because the police represent the dominant, white, higher class . . . Sometimes when the police are called they might not respond or they might wait 30 minutes to make sure it is over before coming. Residents must learn to defend themselves through aggression. Guns are easily available to the public." Anderson said that "most people who live in the cities are decent, hard-working people yet due to the lack of police accountability, they must take care of themselves. The governing code of the street is violence."

Anderson told a story about "The Code of the Streets" for many urban youths. This "Code" involves becoming "cool" with the people who control the streets. "Young boys realize that the gangs are the ones who rule the streets. One neighborhood Anderson studied was described as "a tough industrialized area where jobs are hard to come by...there are frequent drive-by shootings and you seldom see a police car." There are murals which say, "We love you John R.I.P."

Anderson recently authored the introduction to the re-publication of *The Philadelphia Negro* by W.E.B. DuBois (1996). He has also won the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching at the University of Pennsylvania, where he also served as an associate director for urban ethnography, as an associate editor of qualitative sociology and is a member of the National Research Council's panel on understanding and control of violent behavior, which published its report in 1993.

Anderson received his undergraduate degree from Indiana University, his masters degree from the University of Chicago and his doctorate from Northwestern University, where he was a Ford Foundation Fellow.

This lecture was co-sponsored by the sociology department, Africana Studies, Campus Ministry, the Office of Multicultural Affairs and the College of Commerce and Finance.

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International Food Fest brings fun and flavor

By BILL LAWRENCE
Staff Reporter

On Sept. 29, the Multicultural Student League held its annual food festival, in which many different cultures were represented and students were able to sample a variety of ethnic dishes for a $2 fee.

The Multicultural Student League was created about four years ago under the name "Minority Student League." It serves as a meeting ground to communicate with all the cultural organizations as well as with other campus organizations. The league was also established to address the concerns of multicultural students and to voice their opinions. In this capacity, it is also an active political organization and helps mediate issues between students and the administration.

The event was held in the President's Lounge of the Connelly Center. Freshman Mike Leyva said, "The food tasted great and it was nice to try something new for a change. I was a little worried about how the food would taste, but as soon as I tried it, I loved it."

The samples of food ranged from humus, a vegetable dip, to Lahmajoon, a spicy beef pizza. All of the cultural organizations brought their own unique food to the dinner. The meal was prepared by the students themselves.

Cultural music played in the background while students ate and discussed their feelings about the food. Monu Singh and Dhira Khosla are co-chairs of the multi-cultural student league. "The turnout was really good and the enthusiasm was much better than last year," said Singh.

This event is held in order to bring about a sense of cultural awareness and to offer a change of pace for dinner. "The dinner presented students with the opportunity to experience something new and allowed returning students to try the food again...it helped bring the campus together," said Singh.

More than 150 people attended the dinner, all from different cultures and backgrounds. Singh said, "Students hear the name "multi-cultural" and feel it is only for some people. The dinner rules out this idea and helps bring an understanding of other cultures and possibly their own cultures."

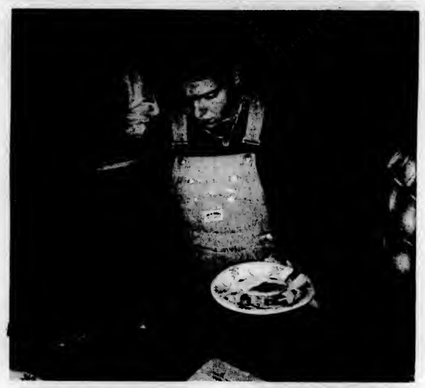

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

People sample different ethnic foods at the International Food Fest.

No help for evicted

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going to happen!"

Hess said that she overheard neighbors saying that they wish the students weren't there. Duncan said that the residents would rather not have as many student houses so close together rather than them not wanting the students around at all. He said that he did not know of any solutions. The zoning laws are not subject to change at this point. He said he knew students would continue to make it more financially reasonable to live off-campus however, "we plan on enforcing these laws."

Hess is a Commerce and Finance senator at the University and said that Pete Acton, president of SGA, has addressed off-campus housing as an issue and is open to any suggestions. She said that right now, SGA is working on the idea of getting the Law School students at the University involved.

Hess said that she cannot think of anything else to do to address this issue, the University can only take little steps. She said, "the neighbors need to see that we're good people. We baked cookies for them, babysat their children, sent them flowers for different occasions. . . We just don't know what else we could have done."

Theology professor dies after long illness

The Rev. Edmund Dobbin, O.S.A., expressed his sorrow over the death of the Rev. James F. Warne, O.S.A. Warne died on Sept. 28 after a two year illness. Warne served as a professor of theology and religious studies at the University since 1966.

Funeral services were held in the St. Thomas of Villanova chapel on Oct. 2. The viewing began at 7 p.m., and a Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 8 p.m.

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

University involvement could mend rift with neighboring communities

The slew of evictions of off-campus residents from their Bryn Mawr housing draws attention to the very serious issue of the poor standing the University has attained in the community. These evictions are the result of Lower Merion Township's decision to sue landlords who violate the archaic private home occupancy regulations that, in essence, specifically target those who rent to students. Effectively, the township has decided to throw its legal muscle around at the expense of these students.

The grounds for some of these evictions have been, at best, questionable, but that is not the extent of the whole brouhaha. The absence of any action taken by the University on behalf of the embattled tenants is what troubles some students.

Though troubling, it is hardly surprising. The administration has done little to improve the position of the students or the University as a whole within the community. This, coupled with some admittedly juvenile antics by the students, has allowed the situation to reach the point where our neighbors see students as intruders and treat them accordingly.

Two strategies are available to the University as a remedy to this problem.

The first involves meeting the community's strong arm actions with those of our own. It would be very easy for the administration to make it known that we serve as the economic lifeblood of the local business community and with a little organization (possibly a day-long boycott of local merchants), none would be able to deny our importance to the area.

A second, less draconian plan, would call for the administration to form a board that would interact with local leaders on the students' behalf. This board could act as a mediator where students and community residents could voice their complaints or suggestions.

Such a committee might be able to defuse some of the tension. Sure, the legal standing of the committee might not amount to anything, but any forum through which the community could vent its frustration is preferable to an antagonistic relationship that results in mass evictions.

If the local governments don't want to engage in a truly cooperative relationship with the University, it's doubtful that anything more substantial than the Senior Service day will emerge. And this one day out of the year obviously wasn't enough to keep certain students housed.

Long term solutions might include more on-campus housing. For now, though, dialogue might be the best bet for everyone involved. In any event, an entirely passive stance can only spell more trouble.

'Novan Poll

How is Villanova perceived by the surrounding community?

Is that perception justified?

Can the University administration do anything to improve relations?

What can the students do to improve these relations?

E-mail responses to "poll@villanovan.vill.edu"

LETTERS

Dining services deserve praise for accomplishments

To the Editor:

The only thing "flooded with flaws" in last week's *Villanovan* was the letter to the editor written by Carolyn Hehir. Ms. Hehir's letter concerning Dining Services was tactless, un-factual, and demeaning to the tens of people who put the food on the plate of 3,600 on-campus students, faculty, staff, commuter, and visitors.

Villanova University's Dining Services Department is one department which has taken the President's VQI initiative of developing "the total community" to its fullest extreme. Over the course of my tenure here at Villanova, Dining Services has made tremendous advances in the way they serve their customers. They have gone "above and beyond" to respond to the needs and wants of the Villanova Community. Having worked closely with Dining Services on a number of student events, I can attest that they are a group that sincerely listens! They have increased hours, flexibility of meal hours/times, added additional venues for convenience, implement a "point system," promoted barbeques for residence halls, and much more.

Granted, Dining Services may not be perfect (who is?), but they have definitely done an excellent job in meeting and exceeding University needs. For the record, Villanova Dining Service is recognized as a leader in food service across the nation and has been written up in a number of publications for their commitment to quality, cleanliness, and service. Over the course of the last few years, speaking with friends who attend other schools throughout the country, I have learned that Villanova's food service program is very unique. More often than not, institutions out source their food service operations to companies that could actually "care less" what the students have to say. Not so here at Villanova because Dining Services takes an interest in their customer, the student. Various surveys, focus groups, and other avenues are conducted annually by Dining Services allowing students to voice their concerns and have an active role in their dining experience.

In regard to the hours of operations, Ms. Hehir should check out page 6 and 7 of last week's *Villanovan* which outlines exactly how the meal plan works.

William K. Seppi
Treasurer, SGA

From the Football Poll

Despite the 1996 football team's success and excellent chance of making the Division I-AA playoffs, I have been amazed at the low (read: terrible) attendance figures at the September home games. Having spent four years at Villanova when the school was I-A, I have seen this before. The current students should study some history and understand what happened with little warning in 1980; the football program was scrapped for lack of support. This is one issue.

The other and probably more realistic issue to be dealt with is that we have a good team which is working very hard to put Villanova back on the football map. Students should get out and support these guys and the coaching staff. After all, these home football games on Saturday afternoons will be some of the days you will remember after you get out of school.

Mike Ford
Alumnus

Reader questions abortion argument

To the Editor:

While Joe Patterson's column ("Abortion pill underscores America's darkest side") is eloquent and undeniably honest, I have noticed a slight discrepancy. Patterson demands our sympathy for the unborn child denied a "future, full of joys, despairs, hopes and pains." Nonetheless, he implicitly supports abortion being limited "to those cases where the mother's life is in danger or in the cases of rape or incest." Why is the unborn child, supposedly worthy of our concern, suddenly expendable, Mr. Patterson? So, instead of using your column to decry and attack abortion in general, why don't you give us your reasons for it under these circumstances?

Matt Ryan
Class of 2000

Editor's Note: *Mr. Patterson merely referred to polling data concerning restrictions on abortion. He did not explicitly or implicitly accept these exceptions to the strict pro-life stance.*

Students concerned by behavior of employees

To the Editor:

We are writing to express our deep concern for the sanitation of the South Campus dining facilities. Our two rooms are located directly across from the rear of the dining hall; where the loading dock is located. We have noticed that members of the South Campus cafeteria workforce, specifically the men, find it appropriate to urinate directly below our windows.

We find this type of behavior very offensive. We do not appreciate an open view of these individuals performing their bodily functions in blind view of our dorm room windows. Correct me if we're wrong, but is there not a men's bathroom located within Donahue Hall? We're fully aware that there is a women's restroom; and if there is not a men's room, perhaps they should use the money generated from Donahue Market to build one, so that any further evening escapades can be avoided.

News flash for Donahue Hall employees: the dumpster is not to be used as a toilet. Also, we don't appreciate having to sit in the dining hall trying guess whether or not our food was prepared by dirty hands.

Jenn McCaffrey
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Letters

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COMMENTARY

Middle East violence runs deeper than a tunnel

By JOE PATTERSON

Arab and Israeli leaders have met for yet another summit. This time, it's because the Palestinians and the Jews are at each other's throats. Of course, they've been at each other's throats for years now, but some people are claiming that this most recent conflict can be resolved by settling a dispute over a tunnel.

The tunnel is merely symbolic. The peace process has been in a precarious situation since it was initiated. This most recent flare-up is indicative of the tensions that have marked these peoples for 4,000 years.

A few years ago, under a different Israeli prime minister, the two sides agreed to several conditions. Now the Palestinians are frustrated at Benjamin Netanyahu's apparent foot-dragging. After months of non-violent transfers of towns from Israel to the Palestinian government, the peace process seemed to slow dramatically. Netanyahu's recent decision to open the tunnel served as the excuse for the Palestinian's to vent their frustration.

For sure, the Israeli's have been planning the tunnel opening for years. During this time, the Muslim disapproval was not very vocal; it certainly didn't claim the world's headlines as this most recent outburst has. Clearly, the tunnel hasn't been weighing on the minds of the Muslims in the way their current actions would suggest.

The tunnel doesn't desecrate any Muslim religious sights and it certainly doesn't reflect an overt attempt to Judaize Jerusalem, as Yasir Arafat claims. The extended tunnel is expected to attract 70,000 tourists a year, much more than the draw of the partial tunnel. The tunnel has religious implications because of its proximity to Muslim, Jewish and Christian holy sites, but it seems more motivated by economic concerns than missionary zeal.

The Patterson Perspective

Obviously, this whole conflict finds its roots in ancient times and not in current excavations. It is tough for Americans to appreciate this, and even tougher to appreciate the various claims that the two sides toss around. Discussions of Abraham or the Canaanites seem out of place in modern diplomacy. Arguments about who was there first deny the very real fact that property can change hands, and more importantly, they create some irreconcilable starting points.

Biblical scholars could not even establish the proper boundaries, mainly because the Bible details three different Israels. Thus, by claiming allegiance to "historical" precedents, both sides expose themselves as prone to demagoguery.

Mr. Arafat's rhetoric and past actions reveal his inclinations while Netanyahu's early election time talk had the more compromising factions of his country dismissing him as a fringe element. These two personalities do not bode well for the two democracies, which are really still in their infant stages. Palestine had its first elections a year ago while Israel's 47-year old government has no constitution and openly treats its Muslim citizens as second class.

In the end, the whole peace process is well-intentioned. Unfortunately, there is little guarantee that the countries involved will live up to their commitments. While peace seems to be in the best interest of everyone involved, no political structures are in place to insure future compliance. If Jordan's King Hussein or Egypt's Hosni Mubarak are succeeded by less accommodating figures, years of progress could vanish instantaneously. Indeed, this current uprising might not have come about if Shimon Peres hadn't lost the election. But these things happen, and any real solution should make the necessary allowances.

In anticipation for this most recent meeting, Bill Clinton said that he was "prepared to do everything" in his power to help promote the peace process. But there really isn't a whole lot that can be done. Arafat and Netanyahu will act diplomatically in the U.S., but they will then return home and speak the same language they've been speaking for their entire political careers.

Providing a forum to gloss over their differences may be the most Mr. Clinton can do. He certainly won't take a hard line against the Israelis before the upcoming elections and it's doubtful that he would slight the Palestinians, fearing more violence.

Thus, the Middle East will be left to sort things out for themselves. That's probably the way it should be. If any agreements are going to have a lasting effect, they will have to come with the popular support of each county's populations. Unfortunately, neither side has a hint of true reconciliation.

Mumia's bandwagon carries many ill-informed followers

By ANN GAVAGHAN

How do we solve the problem of Mumia?

Yes, ladies and gentlemen, Mumia Abu-Jamal, convicted murderer (as the anti-Mumia forces like to say) and ex-President of the Philadelphia Black Journalists Association (as the pro-Mumia forces will tell you) is back in the news yet again. I wish both sides would just shut up. Should Mumia be executed? No. Is he innocent? I'm not sure. Is Mumia Abu-Jamal one of the most annoying, self-aggrandizing people the left has ever fallen in love with? Yes! And are Mumia supporters as annoying as he is? Almost, but not quite.

not just another lead...

For those of you who haven't been following the newspapers, NPR, or the HBO special, let me bring you up to speed. Mumia Abu-Jamal was a respected reporter in Philadelphia. He became a MOVE sympathizer, which isn't a popular position to have in the news media. So Mumia became a freelance reporter who drove a cab on the side. One night, he was driving through Philadelphia when he saw the police harassing his brother. Mumia stopped his cab and went over to investigate. Shots were fired. Officer Daniel Faulkner was dead. Mumia was wounded in the stomach. In 1982, Mumia was convicted of Faulkner's murder and sentenced to death.

In the past two years, the international community of leftists has been working to overturn Mumia's sentence. They claim the original trial was faulty, with some of the testimony coerced from witnesses. While they raise a few legitimate concerns, they have failed to address unanswered questions in their haste to deify Mumia.

For instance, why does Mumia refuse to testify on his own behalf? He still hasn't come out with his version of that night's events. Neither has his brother. I have to wonder if they are covering something up. Mumia is not a quiet guy. He's managed to release writings and audio recordings since he's been incarcerated. Plenty of opportunities have existed for him to claim his innocence, especially at his first trial. Yet Mumia has remained mute. Instead, he chooses to win supporters by talking about the racist justice system and how he was framed by it.

Even with such a glaring omission, Mumia partisans accept his word as gospel. I've generally found them to be an extremely ill-informed bunch, just jumping on the bandwagon of the latest leftist hero. (Poor Leonard Peltier! Everyone seems to have forgotten about him in the stampede to aid Mumia). Has anyone heard one actually explain (with a logical answer, that is) why Mumia didn't testify at his original trial? Rather, they spout propaganda on why the justice system is racist (when in all actuality, to use pseudo-leftist jargon, it's more classist). In addition, the most vocal defenders of Mumia are MOVE members. Philadelphians may remember May 13, 1985, when the city dropped a bomb on the MOVE compound at Osage Avenue, killed all but two MOVE members, and burned down blocks of rehouses in the process. It was a horrible thing for the city to do, but at the same time, it's not as if MOVE members are completely innocent as well. After all, the whole reason Philadelphia police surrounded the MOVE house is because they built a barracks on the roof, equipped with a public address system to broadcast curses at the neighbors. MOVE children raised in the house didn't have the best life, either. Birdie Africa, the only one to survive, has told how they were fed little more than raw vegetables. When he was rescued from the house, authorities underestimated his age because he was so tiny and thin from his diet. Besides all that, just try asking a MOVE follower what MOVE is all about. Be prepared to sit through a long, loud diatribe that will confuse more than it will enlighten.

The thing that really ticks me off about Mumia heads is that they refuse to work toward changing the system. Listening to them, you'd think the only person on death row in Pennsylvania was Mumia Abu-Jamal. When Governor Ridge began executions last year after a decades-long lapse, nary a whisper was raised in protest from the Mumia crowd. Apparently, they fail to see how removing capital punishment from the justice system would benefit Mumia. I've also gathered from them that the only way to work towards equalizing justice in this nation is to shout through megaphones about Mumia. It's just too easy to overlook the fact that many others are or have been in situations similar to his--but without all the publicity.

What makes Mumia so special is his ability to B.S. He's managed to convince many people of his innocence without saying a word. And while I do think he deserves a new trial, I dearly hope that it will be a fair trial, where both sides present an actual defense, not propaganda. But it's just easier to create a circus without thought. And in the end, Mumia and his supporters merely perpetuate the injustices in the system by centering their cause around this one mysterious, enigmatic figure instead of trying to help the less-romantic, less articulate innocents who truly have been treated badly by the justice system.

Negative advertising acts as a deterrent

By MARC ANGELACCIO

It's 8 p.m. Monday night. I'm getting ready to watch "Monday Night Football." My team—the Eagles—is playing, so my emotions are pumping, mainly due to the testosterone frenzy that takes place right before my team plays. Anyway, I sit down to watch the pre-game shows and, as I turn on the television, I find images of a presidential candidate flashed on the screen. The pictures fade in and then fade out in a sort of melodramatic montage. An overdubbed voice is telling me the candidate is a "closet liberal." Five minutes later, another commercial comes on, this time attacking the other candidate. Using similar techniques, this commercial tells me the candidate was not a "man of the past" nor will he be the "man of the future." Here I am getting ready for exciting professional football, and I have to put up with these two-bit, histrionic commercials. Nothing like negative advertising to put a damper on your pre-game festivities.

Negative advertising has become a trademark of any type of political battle, from national to local races. In our hyper-media society, where the average person watches a couple of hours of television per day, the aggressive political candidate is often the one who wins the race to the voting booth, while the hesistant candidate is left somewhere along the way. This is why it is no longer abnormal to see candidates trying to tell the often naive, always aggressive, public why their competition is evil. Mudslinging has become a given in the political world, as seen in the ever-obtrusive political media.

Negative advertising can prove beneficial to the attacking candidate. Why not attack your opponent on national television right before Monday Night Football, when millions of people are watching? Football fans, like most Americans, love a good spit-in-your-face, step-on-your-feet, chin-to-chin, name calling contest. So why not give them what they want? Call Bill Clinton a "closet liberal." Tell the public that Bob Dole is no "man for the future." All this name calling might even win some votes in the process. For in politics, sticks and stones will break bones, but names can often cause damage to campaigns.

If candidates would ever look at studies done on negative advertising, however, they will find that it can often do more harm than good. In most studies, researchers find that negative advertising has some backlash effects. It may win some votes, but it may lose even more.

The mainstream media tends to jump on accusations often found in negative advertising. And once the media takes something, more often than not it just grows and grows and grows. Eventually, what we're left with is a political race which focuses on the shortcomings and negative actions of each candidate. We end up with empty candidates, only filled with the empty media-sustained rhetoric of their opponent.

On the Marc

I know when I come across an attack on another candidate, I usually just tune out what I'm hearing and seeing. If anything, it just deters me from listening to anything that the attacking candidate might say, whether it is negative or positive. Negative advertising only pushes me away from the political arena, forcing me to lose sight of the issues constructing the political landscape of an election. And I don't think I'm the only one who feels this way.

During campaigns, I don't want to hear why so-and-so is so bad, especially coming from the mouth of so-and-so's opponent, who I know is going to have a slanted view of so-and-so. If anything, I want to know why the opponents are so good. What can each opponent offer me? What did each do that is so important? I want to know why I should chose one instead of learning why I shouldn't chose the other. I don't want to chose a candidate by default. That's what negative political advertising does to those of us who are forced to listen to it. It's like admitting your guilt and being killed for it or proving your innocence through trial by ordeal. Either way, your choice leads to doom, and that's not a choice I want to make.

The Villanovan ***encourages faculty members to write opinion pieces about issues within their field. Call 519-7206 with any ideas.***

Free trade debate skewed by paper

By JIM DeLANEY

In the recent Philadelphia Inquirer series "America: Who Stole the Dream?" Pulitzer Prize-winning journalists Barlett and Steele neglect the story about America's even greater benefits from free trade in the long run.

Although the Philadelphia Inquirer's editors and reporters are generally to the left of comrade Lenin's Politburo, this is not simply an issue that cleanly divides Americans down party lines. It cannot be because it is far more important than mere rhetoric. These liberal reporters have touched on an issue that reverberates through the heart strings of even arch-conservatives like Pat Buchanan. There is an isolationist in all of us. It surfaces when we succumb to the fears of displacement from job changes that will exist under every system, whether free trade or protectionist. Focusing on emotionally charged exceptions is no way to make national policy, especially when the U.S. sets the precedents for so much in the world.

The United States "stands at the parting of the ways," as the philosopher Immanuel Kant put it. Kant was describing the choice between self-imposing a universal moral principle or falling away into all other forms of self-indulgent conduct that would bring disorder to society.

Fortunately, he has chosen to self-impose what it sees as the best form of conduct that should be universally followed by all nations. With few remaining tariffs, the United States embraces free and open trade because it works best for most of America now and for all of America in the long run. And America will attempt to show by its example that free trade works best for all the world. This is our greatest national endeavor as a new millennium approaches—for we have the destiny of all nations to shape by our example.

Only from within America will the cause be won or lost in the debate over temporary trade deficits. For now, imports into the U.S. are greater than U.S. exports to other countries largely because of foreign trade barriers that keep U.S. products out. If other countries saw that free trade benefitted the U.S., nations would be forced to act in their own self-interest by abolishing trade barriers. With open markets, U.S. exports would expand, creating more businesses and jobs in the U.S.

Export jobs are vital because they are high paying, high tech jobs, paying 13 percent higher wages than average salaries.

Recently, there has been a trend in other countries increasingly towards a policy of free trade. In the last few years more markets have been opened, and since 1993 U.S. exports have increased 26 percent.

At this turning point in economic history, it would be reckless to act rashly when U.S. manufacturing jobs are lost because of U.S. exports limitations in other countries. In the larger picture, there has not been that much of a change in our manufacturing base as has been portrayed in the media.

At the end of our agriculture based economy in 1900, 20 percent of our labor force was made up of manufacturing jobs. It changed to 24 percent in 1950 towards peak of an industrial economy.

Now, as the evolution of our service based economy is nearly completed, people have understandably shifted away from manufacturing jobs, leaving its share of the workforce at a slightly lower 16 percent. As of August 1996, industrial production has risen 26.9 percent since 1987 while Japan's is at most 17 percent. As an information based economy emerges in the future, the U.S., for the first time in a long while, is uniquely positioned in the world to take advantage of its superiority in that emerging industry, but only if free trade allows.

L E T T E R S

School spirit at athletic events needs boost

To the Editor:

While reflecting on my freshman year, I noticed that school spirit was lacking at athletic events. While I appreciate what an organization such as The Basketball Club has done, I feel that there is much room for improvement.

While I love the antics of Crazy Chris, wouldn't it be nice to have the entire student section displaying that kind of enthusiasm. This has never been more evident than now with our greatly improved football team garnering such little support. Wouldn't it be nice if we could give our football team the home field advantage it rightfully deserves?

Take, for example, Duke University, where before each game the students transform themselves into the "Cameron Crazies." This cheering section makes Cameron Indoor one of the most feared arenas in the country. This is what we need here at Villanova.

Look for the fan Revolution, Homecoming '96, from the "Superfan initiative."

Stanley Toll
Class of 1999

Tougher classes crucial to ending alcohol problem

To the Editor:

The solutions proposed so far concerning undergraduate alcohol abuse, that is, "changing norms," do not go far enough concerning academics, supposedly the main impetus for attending a university. However, at the same time the administration refuses to change existing structures which create a state of expected student irresponsibility.

Alcohol abuse exists on this campus because a number of academic majors/programs are so lacking in rigor that one could, throughout all four years, drink irresponsibly but still manage to receive decent grades. The personal abilities and responsibilities are not challenged frequently enough in the academic settings of a large number of classes at this school. In fact, because the various academic programs and classes available are not of equal rigor, it seems that students actually seek out those courses and majors of the most overall simplicity in order to allow time for their alcohol abuse. College is not meant to be complete fun; it is a place where learning through hard work should take place.

The faculty also need to be more responsible regarding the instruction of students. If a student does not pass an exam or hand in an assignment on time, because they were inebriated the past few week nights and "are sorry but they just didn't have time to get the project done," fail them for this poor excuse and offer them no second chances. Let them be put on academic probation, and be given the boot from the university. If a student comes into class and answers a simple question from the assigned readings with "Uh, yeah, y'know the character was like happy," the professor should flat out tell him/her, "You are wrong," as the student jokes with the student next to him/her, "Huh, Huh. I didn't read this. I had to go to Smokes." Granted, someone is unlikely to report to the professor, "I am a binge drinker, and I don't care about this course," so the faculty will have to be fairly tough with everyone. Dr. Neville is quoted in the previous issue of The Villanovan as stating, "Professors need to stop thinking this [dealing with alcohol issues] isn't part of their duties," but it isn't part of their duties. Surely, they should recognize the problem, but they should only keep course procedures the same or make them tougher because of it.

In contrast to this, the university must change a number of both ostensible and subtle structures which promote an expectation of irresponsibility on campus. These structures are based tenuously upon an unestablished fear of those new to the university. There are great number of examples. The original plans for homecoming were based upon a fear that the undergrads who are illegal drinkers would drink heavily, yet homecoming has not even happened yet this year. The university limits building access out of an unestablished fear of vandalism and "overt sexual activity." No one is allowed to drive on campus without first passing through the gates of Peter. And how about those fences? A "walk this way" mentality has been established.

The administration has quietly set up fences as another example of expecting big trouble with, OH NO, the creation of dirt trails on the precious lawns and jaywalking. Specifically, this was done recently at St. Thomas Church and Stanford and also at St. Mary's opposite the law school which has no fence. Lastly, going beyond our campus, the local governments live in fear of us.

Radnor patrol cars show up on campus for no particular reason, just waiting for trouble. All that all of this does is create a mal air whereby students are encouraged to drink and drink well.

In summary, Villanova University must, in order to combat alcohol abuse, become tougher academically and more lenient with other restrictions. Always the underdog, Villanova students. Let's show them what we've got.

Joseph Martin
Class of 1998

Attention all students!

A disabled Villanovan student needs someone to help him M/W/F mornings from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

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Please call Jim at 449-8839 anytime before 7 p.m.

VERTICAL HORIZON

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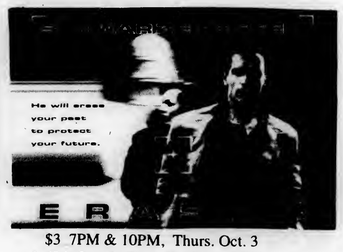

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Breakfast:	**Monday - Friday**		
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7:30-10:00		7:30-10:00	7:30-10:00
Lunch:	**Monday- Friday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
10:45-1:45		11:30-1:30	10:45-1:30
Dinner:	**Monday- Friday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
4:30-7:00		4:30-7:30	4:30-6:45
Brunch:	**Saturday & Sunday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
10:45-1:15		11:30-1:30	10:45-1:15
Dinner:	**Saturday & Sunday**		
Dougherty		Donahue	St. Mary's
4:30-6:15		4:30-6:30	4:30-6:00

ALA CARTE DINING HOURS

Cafe Bartley	Monday- Thursday		8:00am- 8:00pm
	Friday		8:00am- 2:00pm
	MPE accepted		**8:00 am-9:00 am**
Belle Air Terrace	Monday - Friday		8:00 am - 11:00 pm
	Saturday		10:00 am - 11:00 pm
	Sunday		12:00 noon - 11:00 pm
MPE accepted:	**Monday - Friday**	**Breakfast**	**8:00 am - 10:00 am**
		Dinner	**3:00 pm - 6:00 pm**
	Weekends	**Lunch**	**1:30 pm - 2:30 pm**
		Dinner	**3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**
The Corner Grille:	Monday - Friday		11:00 am - 6:15 pm
	MPE accepted		**11:00 am - 6:15 pm**
Italian Kitchen:	Monday - Friday		10:45 am - 8:00 pm
	MPE accepted		**10:45 am - 8:00 pm**
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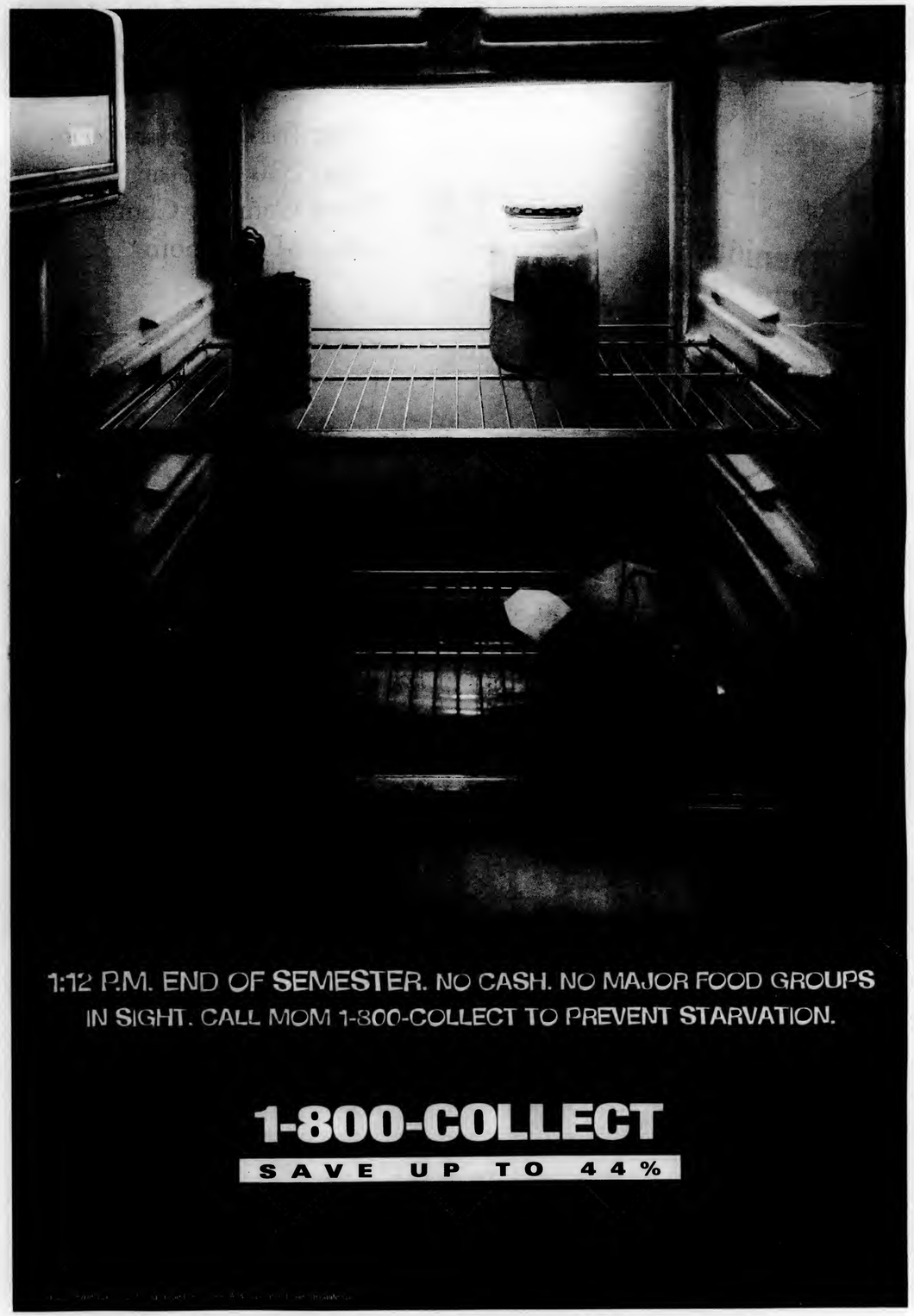

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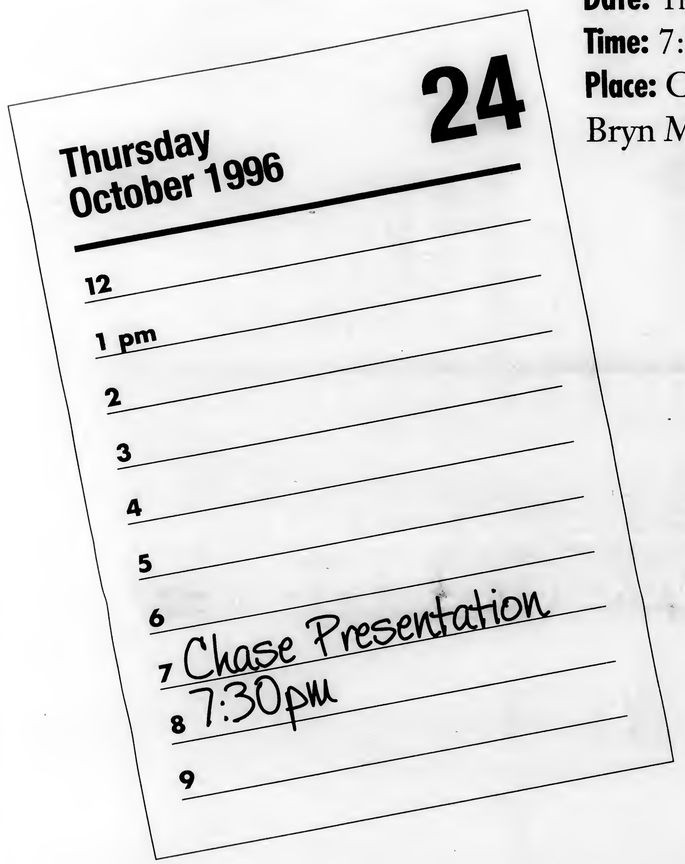

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Oct. 4

Visiting Scholar

Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, Dr. Darcy B. Kelley will hold office hours in the Fedigan Room from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Dr. Kelley's primary research interests have to do with neuroscience. Any students interested in speaking with her privately are encouraged to attend.

A pizza-soda reception will be held in Mendel 103 for all undergraduate students from noon - 1:30 p.m. The topic of discussion with Dr. Kelley is "What's It Like Being a Scientist." At 2:30 Dr. Kelley will give a lecture entitled "Generating the Male and Female Brains" in Mendel 158. A reception will follow.

C&F Breakfast

All are welcome to the Commerce and Finance Breakfast on Friday, Oct. 4 from 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. on the third floor of Bartley Hall. This is a great opportunity to meet faculty and other students!

Oct. 5

AmneSIA 3

Entrance yourself in the pulsating music of the Big Apple's phattest sounds. Belle Air Nightclub, 10 p.m - 2 a.m., $3 at the door. Any questions please contact the ASA voice mail at x82138.

Lab Safety Workshop

On Saturday, Oct. 5, students are invited to participate in a free one-day lab safety seminar presented by Dr. James A. Kaufman, the nations leading authority on safety in academic laboratories. If you would like to attend, please call Arnelia Hollinger at the Villanova Environmental Health and Safety Office at x7838. Places should be reserved by Sept. 30. Refreshments will be served. Any questions, call Dr. Kaufman at 1-800-647-1977 or E-mail to labsafe@aol.com.

Oct. 6

Community Meeting

There will be an open community meeting on Sunday, Oct. 6 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Honors Seminar Room (SAC). The topic of discussion will be: Does the campus community have a responsibility with regard to Rohypnol (the date-rape drug) and if there is such a broad based responsibility, what can the community as a whole do? All interested persons are invited to attend. The meeting is being called by Dr. Gaile Pohlhaus.

Alumni/ae Faith Sharing Group

A new opportunity is being offered for graduates and friends who want to share the challenges and opportunities that the journey of faith has presented in the world after graduation. In particular the group will be focused on faith sharing and dialogue in the Roman catholic tradition. Alumni/nae and friends are invited to attend an informational meeting on Oct. 6 in St. Rita Chapel from 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (After the 6 p.m. Mass). For more information call Beth Hassel at 519-4088 or Philip Braun at (home) 610-260-0528; (work) 215-652-0854.

Chi-Olympics

The third annual Chi-Olympics will be held on Sunday, Oct. 6 at 1 p.m. on Sheehan Beach. Proceeds benefit Special Olympics. $50 per team to enter; free t-shirts and cash prizes.

Oct. 7

Operation Smile

Operation smile is a non-ropfit organization that sends doctors to impoverished parts of the world to do corrective surgery on children with devestating facial deformities and tumors. This Monday, Oct. 7 at 6:30 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel, Hosea Villega will be speaking about his experience with Operation Smile. He is a former patient who has an incredible story to tell. Please join us and learn about the organization itself, as well as the new group that is forming on campus to support this cause. If youhave any questions please call Elena at 520-2510.

Exam Prep Workshop

Troubled by True/False, mystified by Multiple Choice, exasperated by Essay Exams? Dr. Reilly will offer an Exam Prep and Test-Taking Workshop this Monday, Oct. 7, from 3:30 - 4:20 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106 Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign up is necessary.

Bread for the World

Members of Bread for the World will meet in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (basement of Sullivan Hall) on Oct. 7 at 5 p.m. If you have any questions or are interested in Bread for the World but can't make the meeting please call Chrissy at x15201.

Oct. 9

Seamus Heaney Poetry Reading

Tickets for the Nov. 14 reading by Nobel Prize-winning poet Seamus Heaney will be on sale in the lobby of the Connelly Center from Wednesday, Oct. 9 to Friday, Oct. 11. Tickets are $5 for students and $10 for all others. Proceeds will benefit a study-in-Ireland scholarship fund.

HIV Testing

The Villanova University AIDS Task Force is sponsoring a free, anonymous HIV testing on Wednesday, Oct. 9. The Delaware County AIDS Network will be at the Health Center from 10 a.m. until 2:40 p.m. If interested, please call x94070 to make an appointment.

Hunger Awareness Week

Committee members for Hunger Awareness Week will be meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the North Lounge of Dougherty Hall. If you have any questions or would like to be involved but can't make the meeting, please call Giulia at x15283.

Oct. 21

Irish Lecture

John Gray, Librarian of the Linen Hall Library, will lecture on Monday, Oct. 21, at 7 p.m. in Room 300 of the Liberal Arts Center. Mr. Gray's lecture is entitled, "Resurrecting Mary Anne McCracken, a Belfast Revolutionary and Pioneer of Women's Rights." The lecture is co-sponsored by Falvey Library and the Irish Studies Program.

Oct. 23

Spring Service Trips

Campus Ministry will sponsor an informational meeting to present an overview of the two volunteer service trips that will take place over the Spring Break. These trips will serve permanently established missions in Oaxaca (in the west) and Merida (in the east). Applications for the trips will be given out this night. Meeting date: Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Connelly Cinema. This will be the ONLY informational meeting for the Mexico Mission Service Trips.

Oct. 24

Grad School Forum

The Graduate and Professional School Admissions Forum will be held on Thursday, Oct. 24 in Founders Hall at Haverford College. Admissions Forum: From 3 - 6 p.m. representatives from 100 institutions will be available to informally meet with students to discuss programs and admissions requirements. Informational Sessions: Workshops will be conducted, concurrent with the forum, on the following topics: managing the application process (3 p.m.), financing your graduate or professional school education (4 p.m.) and writing graduate school admissions essays (5 p.m.). This event is co-sponsored by the Career Planning and Placement Offices of Villanova, BrynMawr/Haverford, Rosemont and Swathmore College. Stop by CP&P (Corr Hall basement, x4060) for a list of participating schools.

MISC.

Mulhearn Scholarship

The Alice Mulhearn Scholarship has been established to provide assitance to children of Villanova alumni with demonstrated financial need. Applicants must be full-time, undergraduates who are maintaining a GPA of 3.50 or better and currently enrolled in a program leading to a bachelor's degree. Applications may be obtained from the Office of Financial Assistance and returned there by Oct. 28. The scholarship will be awarded for the 1996-97 academic year, but may be renewed for subsequent years, providing the recipient continues to meet eligibility and the availability of funds. The number of awards and the amounts will be determined by availability of funds and qualifications of applicants.

Christian Leader Retreat

A one day retreat on Christian leadership will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26. Students will get a chance to reflect on their own skills and limitations as leaders, to envision the future of the programs they are involved in, and to set concrete plans to reach their desired goals.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on a team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Winter Service Trip

From Dec. 28 - Jan. 11 a group of 12 Villanova students will be building the foundation for a community center in a village 12 miles south of Managua, Nicaragua. Application and information sheets available in Campus Ministry and are due Oct. 4 at noon. Open to engineers and Spanish-speaking students.

Register to Vote!

A voter registration drive will be conducted by the Political Awareness League next week in Connelly Plaza. Federal Forms will be available for registration for any state. Also, a sign-up list will be present to participate in a Voter Shuttle Program to the local polling places.

HEC Retreat

Students, faculty, staff and neighbors are welcomed and needed to work on the upcoming HEC retreat (Handicapped Encounter Christ) sponsored by Campus Ministry. HEC is an unique and exciting experience which brings together physically disabled and non-disabled persons to share each others' lives in an atmosphere of Christian community. The retreat will take place on the weekend of Nov. 16 - 18 ending around 2 p.m. on Sunday. For further information, drop by Campus Ministry during the day or call 519-4080.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas. There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form. The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Attention Qualified Musicians

The Lower Merion Symphony invites Villanova's musicians to attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. They take place in the McShain Auditorium on Rosemont College. For information, call Elliot Levioff at (215) 473-9013.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

DSA

The Democratic Socialists of America will meet on Thursday, Oct. 27 at 8 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education. DSA is a political organization which fights for social and economic equality for all.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. Thank you.

Writing Center

The Writing Center has opened its doors yet again! Make your appointments now! Office hours are Sunday through Thursday, 1:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Friday 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. We are located in 202 Old Falvey. If you have any questions or would like to make an appointment, please call x94604.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. These cards are essential to assure that names appear in Commencement Program and on diplomas exactly according to students' wishes. Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

F E A T U R E S

Trip to Israel puts headlines into perspective

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

As I watch the daily reports of the violence that is occurring in Israel, I feel a special connection to the events that have grabbed the world's attention. For me, the Arab/Israeli conflict is no longer a distant, inexplicable affair that seems to heat up every nine or 10 months. Instead, because of an opportunity I was lucky enough to be offered, I now can place the day's headlines into some perspective.

As one of 14 college newspaper editors selected by the Anti-Defamation League for an all-expense paid trip to Poland and Israel, I was given the chance of a lifetime to visit a place that has been among the world's most important and yet most misunderstood areas throughout all of history.

In retrospect, one of the most amazing parts of the trip was a meeting the group had with Salah Tamari, a council member of the Palestinian Authority. Tamari, an impassioned and eloquent speaker, had been a member of the Palestinian Liberation Organization since he was 15 years old and had dedicated his life to the creation of a state of Palestine.

Unlike the Israeli politicians we had met, Tamari spoke as though his life depended on his cause, and, although he definitely chose his words judiciously, he did not pull any punches. He referred to the Israelis as "intruders" on his people's land. In fact, he claimed that the only reason the two sides ever engaged in dialogues was because "we were unable to push them into the sea, and they were unable to push us into the desert."

Of particular importance were Tamari's thoughts on the peace process. It was his opinion that Israel had not met its responsibilities under the most recent peace accords, including free entry and exit for Palestinians from their settlements and the allowance for self-governance within Arab areas. He predicted, if progress were not made on these issues, violence would erupt within the month.

Tamari made that claim on Aug. 23, and, little more than one month later, violence did indeed erupt in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Ostensibly, this violence was the result of Israel's decision to open a new gate to an underground tunnel that runs parallel to the Temple Mount area of Jerusalem, an area that contains the Dome of the Rock and the Al Aqsa Mosque, making it the third holiest site of Islam. However, when put in the perspective of Tamari's words, it becomes apparent that the tunnel opening was merely a flashpoint rather than a cause for the violence. Tensions had been building up for months.

It is easy to blame these tensions on the Israel's Netanyahu government, which has often been characterized in the western press as bellicose, but such a simplification reveals an ignorance of geography and history on the part of westerners in general.

For Israel, geography is destiny. The country's tiny size leaves Israel vulnerable to its neighboring nations with whom, even in the best of times, relations have been tenuous. If the West Bank were removed from Israel, the country would only stretch nine miles across at its most narrow point. The strategic value of this land is very obvious, as is Netanyahu's reluctance to give the Palestinians self-rule in this area, particularly in light of their historical coziness with the governments of Syria and Jordan.

This slightness of size was one of the first things that struck me during the trip. As we relaxed on the beaches of the Mediterranean in Tel Aviv, I noticed that every half hour or so, Israeli jets streaked across the sky. After this happened a few times, I asked our guide why they always traveled in a North/South direction. His answer really put the country's size in perspective. He said the jets could not fly laterally because Israel's width is so small that any attempt at East/West flight would result in crossing into Syrian air space.

Historically, Israel also has a good foundation for its national paranoia. When the United Nations partitioned the British possession of Palestine at the end of World War II, one half of the land was set aside for a Palestinian state and the other half was to be made into an Israeli state. Although not exactly pleased with the set-up, the Israelis accepted the plan, but each of their neighbors mounted attacks on the new nation. The next 50 years of the nation's history would be spent in a nearly constant battle for survival.

The insights I gained into the headlines that have held the world's attention for the past two weeks have helped me better understand the Israeli/Palestinian conflict were the result of living among the people who live it day in and day out. From now on, I will know that the troubles in this region are far more complex than they seem in a five minute piece on the six o'clock news.

Israeli scholar addresses terrorism in the media

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"This is not like the real world," Dr. Saul Zadka commented as he roamed Villanova's campus this past Tuesday. "If I were a student here, I would probably lose my sense of reality. "

Zadka's words could not have been more ironic. The Israeli journalist visited Villanova this week, not for a tour of its idyllic grounds, but to speak on a matter that has become increasingly important to the general public— terrorism in the media.

Dr. Zadka is an international communications scholar and was born in Jerusalem, where he currently resides. He has worked extensively in radio broadcasting and for newspapers throughout Europe and the Middle East and is a former consultant on Middle Eastern Affairs for BritishTelevision.

"Media coverage of terrorism is often based on the sympathy of the individual journalist," Zadka said. "Since most reporters have an inherent personal bias towards political issues, I do not believe the media can ever be completely objective in its assessment of these situations."

One of the situations that Zadka is referring to is the current turmoil besieging the Middle East. Tempers have flared between Israel and Palestine since last week, when Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu opened a tourist tunnel that runs beneath a Muslim temple in Jerusalem.

The opening of the tunnel angered Palestinians, who exchanged fire with Israeli troops, leaving 70 people from both camps dead. Both Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat are in Washington this week to meet with President Clinton in efforts to bring peace to the area.

The journalist believes that many Israelis are pessimistic about the recent outbreak of violence.

"Cynicism can be the last result of anyone living in Israel who has something left between his ears," Zadka said.

Zadka feels that popular newspapers in America and in other parts of the world tend to support Israel's cause. "Tabloid news is all about seeking sensationalism. Israel provides this—both good and bad. The press is not involved in political, ideological, and religious issues; most readers are not sophisticated enough to understand these things," he said. " It appears that the American press has strong feelings of revulsion for Muslim extremism, a position Israel is in accordance with."

Zadka is in favor of media coverage of terrorist acts because he feels that many terrorists seek media attention to further their causes. "As terrorists become more sensitive to negative media coverage, they will most likely soften their tactics in order to gain greater acceptance from the public."

Zadka feels that Western media does not give equal coverage to all of the world's trouble areas. "Political and economic factors weigh heavily in the decision to cover a particular situation," he said. " Who is to say that my blood is redder than yours? The media has a duty to inform the public of all conflicts as they evolve, not just their eventual eruption."

The Israeli scholar also offered his predictions for future media coverage of the Middle East conflict. "Expect the media to be busy over the next few years with this issue, whether the peace talks are successful or not. Journalist hacks often make stories out of nothing. They tend to make things happen."

Fall fashion: *what's hot and what's not*

By KATIE KLINE
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Audacious, retro, understated or flashy, fashion this fall is a smorgasbord of ideas designed to help you welcome the season in style—whatever your style is.

What does the new fashion season have in store for you? According to the September issue of *Glamour* magazine, "streamlined shapes that flaunt every curve; falling hemlines, from knee to calf and longer '70s-inspired styling; and sumptuous textures that include soft leathers and suedes, rich velvets, plush faux furs, comfy, cozy rib knits and pants in a range of updated shapes and fabrics."

This season is going to be a "long" one. Designers have brought back a '70s style this fall that reintroduces the "long and lean" look.

The latest trend in pants is long and slim through the hip and thigh, with a slightly flared leg. Pants that have turned-up hems and a little extra leg room at the ankle are another hot item, appealing for their ability to give off a taller look that accentuates your waistline.

Form-fitted knits and shapely cut shirts are a good choice to maintain this fall's slim look, especially if your top half is your slimmer half. Deep V-necklines also give the illusion

If the slim look isn't for you, big ribbed sweaters, V-neck sweaters, corduroy shirts and jackets or a casual flannel shirt wrapped around your waist are still considered a fashion statement this fall.

Cool colors to look for this fall in your favorite year-round fabrics from rayon to polyester include taupe, camel, chocolate, rust brown, charcoal, olive, red, navy, khaki and ivory.

Accessories are making a comeback this season with beaded necklaces, chain belts, knit caps and slender scarves. To accessorize any outfit this fall, wear shoes with square toes and block heels or leather boots cut from ankle-high to knee-length.

Military style, uniform dressing has been drafted into the fall mix. Look for officer's coats, brass-button trims, peacoats and military style jackets to make even the most subtle outfit more trendy.

Leather is making a statement this fall in an array of colors such as black, red and brown. The latest way to wear leather is to accent it with a soft wool or velvet sweater.

Guys can get away with wearing most anything this season. Kick off the season with the gear that best suits your style. The casual look is definitely in, so get comfortable and stay warm with V-neck and wool sweaters, plaid flannel shirts, pull-overs, corduroy shirts and jackets and military style boots.

In a nutshell, anything goes this season. From body-hugging to big and baggy, you can't go wrong. Be creative with your wardrobe this fall. As long as you stay away from shoulder pads, contrasting colors and flat shoes, you will be able to survive this year's "long season" no matter what your size or style may be.

PHOTO BY KIM COTE

Snappy fall dressers walk through the quad.

Student irked over "half-hearted hi's"

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Have you ever passed by someone in a hall or while walking whom you vaguely recall from some distant experience? Thoughts flash through your head: Where is he/she from? When did I talk to him/her? Should I say something? What if I don't know him/her? What should I do?

If you're like me (and most other people) you respond with a half-hearted hi. These ill-advised and awkward attempts at communication take two main forms:

1) The weak smile: mostly used by the female members of the Villanova population, it is the attempt to placate the acquaintance when eye contact is formed. Normally, its response is the mirror weak smile, a form more ungainly than the first, mainly because of the awkward and slow contraction phase of the smile.

2) The head nod: utilized by males, it is the attempt to distance oneself from the subject yet form a connection, with the ultimate goal to minimize the risk of not actually knowing the person. A word of caution: proper form must be used. Any quick or jerky motions could result in ridicule and/or injury.

I say let's replace these socially accepted conventions. Instead of being cautious, let's risk looking like fools. Replace these techniques with a hearty handshake; be sure to include a number of vigorous shakes of the hand, as well as a broad, full-toothed smile and several exclamations of joy. You may look like a fool if you take my advice, but at least you'll have someone to blame.

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Upcoming Leadership Workshops: (a) Oct. 28, time and place to be announced later, "creativity" by Melody Templeton, (b) Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m. Bartley 217, "Setting Goals and Attaining Them" by Gary Bonas, and (c) Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m. West Lounge Dougherty "Problem Solving and Decision Making" by Dr. Bob Stokes

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REGISTRATION:

Please complete the registration form below and bring it, along with your payment (in an envelope labeled Shuttle Services), to the Student Government Association office at 204 Dougherty Hall by Monday, October 7, at 2:00 PM. If the Student Government office is not open, please deposit your registration and payment in the mail slot.

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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Rock music celebrates 25 years of Kisstory

By ANTHONY P. CENTOLA
Staff Reporter

For the first time in over 17 years, the makeup, the fire breathing and the blood spitting are back. Kiss, the world's premiere rock and roll band, is coming to town with their original lineup. Kiss members Gene Simmons, Paul Stanley, Peter Criss and Ace Frehley have been electrifying audiences all summer with their full scale reunion tour.

The tour kicked off June 28 at Detroit's Tiger Stadium, and is scheduled to hit Philadelphia on Oct. 8,9 and 11. Tickets have been selling out rapidly; New York's four shows sold out in less than an hour breaking a record for ticket sales. It is no surprise why the tickets are so hot. The show includes the trademark Kiss makeup, rocket launching guitars, state of the art video, as well as a fireworks display that would hypnotize anyone into believing that it was the Fourth of July. The entire production cost an estimated seven million dollars.

Kiss began in 1972, and became the ever popular superheroes of rock: Gene "The Demon" Simmons, Paul "Starchild" Stanley, "Space" Ace Frehley, and Peter "Catman" Criss. Their costumes and legendary stage performances set a path to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. It was 1980 when Peter left the band, and 1982 when Ace called it quits. Kiss, however, lived on leaving behind one minor detail: the makeup. Throughout the years Kiss has sold in excess of 75 million albums worldwide, and has toured for each of their 28 albums to date.

The original members were musically reunited for four songs during their "MTV Unplugged" set, which opened the doors for a possible reunion tour. Their live show is made up of songs from only their first six albums. I recently had the chance to talk with Paul Stanley and ask him some questions about the tour and Kiss.

How's the tour going?
It's going awesome. It couldn't be much bigger; and it couldn't be much better.

Does your set list change every night? I noticed some different songs in New York than on opening night in Detroit.
Yeah, we're actually going through some changes now. In the next two weeks or so we'll be changing probably about two or three more songs. We want to add "I Was Made for Loving You," particularly in Europe.

I see you are playing the Meadowlands on New Year's Eve, are there any reasons why you chose to play there?
You know, you can't take the east coast out of the east coast boys. It will be great just to be back in the New York area, and the Meadowlands has always been one of my favorite places to play.

Are you going to do anything different for that show?
Most likely, we'll see what we come up with. We're never too short on ideas.

I just heard that Bruce Kulick and Eric Singer officially left Kiss, how do you feel about that?
Well, I love those guys. You could n't dream up better people to be in a band with than those guys. Eric paged me a couple of days ago, just to check in and see how everything was going. I speak to both of them all the time. It's understandable in a sense, because they felt that they really had one arm tied behind their back. There was no sense of when this tour was going to end, and in the meantime they really haven't felt totally free to explore other offers, whether it was people who wanted to play with them or form bands with them. Honestly this tour could go for a few years, and it really made sense for them to cut themselves loose so they could feel that they didn't have obligations that would keep them from doing other things. They're my buddies, so I understand the whole thing.

PHOTO CREDIT: BARRY LEVINE

Kiss is playing at the Core States Spectrum on Oct. 8, 9 and 11. Tickets can be purchased from Ticket Master in the Connely Center.

What's going to happen then, to the new songs like "Heaven's On Fire," "Lick It Up," "Forever" and "Domino." Are we ever going to hear those songs live again?
Oh you betcha, those are great songs! This tour is about the original lineup, the foundation of the whole Kiss history, and everything that became Kiss. The fact that we sold fifteen million albums after Ace and Peter were gone is not an issue here. We're here to celebrate the beginning of the band. For us to be out there playing the newer stuff, whether it's "Lick It Up" or "Heaven's On Fire," really it doesn't have a place in the show nor should it.

When people think of Kiss they think of the makeup and the fire, who is the pyromaniac in the band?
You know the audience is made up of pyromaniacs, everybody loves a big bang, and everybody loves smoke and fire. All that stuff is the stuff that gives you a rush, so we're no different than anybody else. We try to put a show together that gets us off, because we figure it's certainly going to get off our fans.

Where is home for the band members?
Los Angeles is where Peter, Gene, and myself live. Ace still spends time on the east coast.

Tell me a little bit about the Kiss Vault. I understand you have kept band memorabilia from everything.
Well Gene and I have always made sure that the history of the band and all the artifacts and memorabilia were saved, whether it was original costumes, original instruments, or original drum kits. All of that has a place in the history of the band. I guess we have a combination of Fort Knox and The Bat Cave, that's where everything is kept.

How do you feel about some of the alternative bands today that seem to be glamorizing drug use, especially heroin?
To each his own, I'm not here to preach but I think results speak for themselves. I'm on my 13th album, and there are a lot of bands that won't make it to a third. Show me a band thats falling apart, and I'll show you a band that has a drug problem. You don't need to put a gun to your head and pull the trigger to know that it will blow your brains out. Common sense should tell most people that drugs are deadly in one form or another, whether they kill your mind, spirit or body.

What's in the future for Kiss?
No Idea. Really no idea, because the tour just keeps going and knocking down everything in its path. We keep trying to rearrange the schedule to make enough room to fill the demand for tickets, whether it's four shows in New York at the Garden and then coming back and doing three New York area shows. The tour just keeps getting extended. It's easy to have people excited before the show; you have to have them excited after the show.

Kiss has been the trend setter in rock and roll for almost 25 years. No band can put on a live show like Kiss. They are the "Gods of Thunder" that helped shape rock music. Ask anyone that has ever seen Kiss live, it's a fact; you never forget your first Kiss show.

Fall sitcoms bring the good, the bad and the ugly

By JANET RUDDOCK
Entertainment Editor

Seasons change along with network programing and some changes are better than others. This season brought with it a variety of new programs that included frightening remakes of movies into sitcoms, remakes of old sitcoms and when the networks got creative enough not to make a remake they used titles like "Party Girl" or actresses like Brooke Shields. Needless to say the idea of watching large amounts of these programing was disheartening.

Starting off the week was **"Cosby."** Not surprisingly Bill Cosby was the center of the program, which was basically a carbon copy of the old "Cosby Show" without the children. Didn't that go off the air for a reason? Apparently the networks think viewers are easily fooled. This show gets *1/2 stars for lack of originality.

Next on the menu was **"Pearl."** Rhea Perlman from cheers stars as a widow who goes back to college and livens things up. This show was excellent; funny and sarcastic and definitely worth checking out. This show gets **** stars because it is excellent but not the best out of the bunch.

The snotty yuppy from "Family Ties" is back and as humorous and uptight as ever in **"Spin City."** This, as well, is one of the seasons more enjoyable sitcoms. Staring Michael J. Fox as New York's deputy mayor. This one will stand the test of time and for this reason it gets *** stars.

"Men Behaving Badly" is one of those programs that must grow on audiences. It will either be a hit or a flop but the network is looking at it as a draw for men and being big. I think the network limits itself in this judgement. I think female audiences could enjoy the raunchy jokes and chauvinistic attitudes of its characters. This show gets ** stars because of its offensive nature that may not appeal to some.

"Suddenly Susan," Brooke Shields stab at acting, was almost as stupid as one might expect, except for maybe one good line per show. Who can tell if it will survive, look at "Full House." It survived for how long? This show gets * star and one can hope it won't last for very long.

"The Pretenders" is probably the best new show of the season. It gets this rating for originality. It is destined to join the ranks of unusuals such as "Northern Exposure" and "Quantum Leap." "The Pretenders" gets **** stars because no show is perfect.

"Relativity" would have tied "The Pretenders" for best new show of the season but lacks longevity. The show is emotional and great but one wonders how long it can keep up the pace without turning into a soap opera like "Thirty Something" for this reason it gets **** stars. Watch it now while it is at its peak.

The season's line-up of new shows goes as follows:

Monday

Cosby, CBS 8 p.m.
Dangerous Minds, ABC 8 p.m.-9 p.m.
Ink, CBS 8:30 p.m.
Mr. Rhodes NBC 8:30 p.m.
Party Girl Fox 9 p.m.
Lush Life Fox 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday

Promised Land CBS 8 p.m.- 9 p.m.
Life's Work ABC 8:30 p.m.
Something So Right NBC 8:30 p.m.
Spin City ABC 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Townies ABC 8:30 p.m.
Pearl CBS 8:30 p.m.
Men Behaving Badly NBC 9:30 p.m.
Public Morals CBS 9:30 p.m.

Thursday

Moloney CBS 9 p.m.-10 p.m.
Suddenly Susan NBC 9:30 p.m.

Friday

Sabrina the Teenage Witch ABC 8:30 p.m.
Everybody Loves Raymond CBS 8:30 p.m.
Clueless ABC 9 p.m.
Mr. & Mrs. Smith CBS 9 p.m.

Saturday

Dark Skies NBC 8 p.m.- 9p.m.
The Pretender NBC 9 p.m.-10 p.m.
Early Edition CBS 9 p.m. 10 p.m.
Come Fly with me Fox 9:30 p.m.
Common Law ABC 9:30 p.m.
Profiler NBC 10 p.m.-11 p.m.
Relativity ABC 10 p.m. 11 p.m.

All Stars Based on a *** star rating System**

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Cultural film series presents: "Shanghai Triad"

"Shanghai Triad" engrosses the audience.

By TERENCE J. MCCARTHY
Staff Reporter

Internationally acclaimed Chinese director Zhang Yimou captures the essence of the gangster film genre in this week's Cultural Film and Lecture Series presentation of "Shanghai Triad."

Yimou, a fifth generation film director from the People's Republic of China, is arguably best known for two epic pictures, "Raise the Red Lantern" and "To Live." The most impressive and intriguing characteristics of Yimou's films are the portrayal of controversial male-female relationships and the sexuality within those relationships. Despite the constant scrutiny of China's hard-line communist censors, Zhang follows this trend in "Shanghai Triad," never ceasing to amaze the audience with the spiritual transcendence of the central female character Xiao Jinbao (Gong Li), the mistress of two powerful men.

"Shanghai Triad's" central character is Shuisheng, a boy from the provinces of China, who arrives in 1930 Shanghai to take a family arranged job. Coincidentally, his family is part of the powerful Tang crime triad; thus, his job is provided by a distant uncle, Mr. Tang, the Godfather of the family.

Shuisheng is assigned to be Xiao Jinbao's lackey. The beautiful Gong plays Mr.Tang's concubine, who sings and dances at one of his night clubs. (This is the first time that Gong has sung and danced in one of Zhang's films). Shuisheng is a slave to her every wish, and as thanks for his faithful companionship, he stays out of sight and sleeps in a cupboard under the stairs at night.

As the audience becomes engrossed with the lives of the characters, an assassination attempt on Mr. Tang turns the narrative upside-down. The three main characters flee from the city to a remote island, allowing time for Mr. Tang to recover from his wounds and plot his revenge.

Unlike the glorified violence in Tarantino's and Scorsese's gangster films, Yimou focuses on the plotting and strategy of his crime bosses. He concentrates on the narrative aspects of the film and the dynamic relationships among the three main characters, which is what makes the film so brilliant and also gives the film its name.

The second half of the film perpetuates the island's atmosphere of isolation and tranquillity, a stark contrast to the fast-paced city life lead in Shanghai. This tranquillity is epitomized by the location's lush beauty and overwhelming aesthetic pleasures. The earthly paradise the island provides is reminiscent of the Garden of Eden. Yet as if mirroring Adam and Eve's plight, the idle feelings of peace and happiness are transformed into a mood of high tension and danger as the movie reaches its climactic ending.

Yimou portrays Gong Li as the centerpiece of the film. By photographing her in gorgeous, golden tones, he gives Li an angelic screen presence. This spiritual presence is reinforced by her character's self-awakening and her eventual redemption. Gong, who has appeared in all of Yimou's films, gives another heart-warming performance, proving to be one of the premier leading actresses in the world.

"Shanghai Triad" will have four screenings in the University's Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 6 at both 3:30 and 7 p.m.; and Monday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. Admission for students with I.D. is $3 and $4 for the general public. Monday's showing will be introduced by guest speaker Judy Switzer, who will lead the discussion, "China Noir: A Dark Period of Chinese History," following the screening.

This is a movie which should not be missed. For more information, call x94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Sheryl Crow's latest lacks excitement

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

Over the past few years, Sheryl Crow's career has really taken off. In 1993, the former back-up singer for Michael Jackson released her debut album, *Tuesday Night Music Club,* to critical acclaim. By 1994, it was impossible to turn on MTV or VH1 without seeing the video for her single, "All I Wanna Do," a song that sparked incredible attention, and lead to her being hailed as the next big thing in female rock. She upheld that title in 1995 when she captured the Grammy for Best New Artist. So why is it that after all this success this Top 40 darling is trying to change her image?

The cover of her self-titled second album pictures Crow complete with dark eye make-up and tousled hair, looking a lot less innocent and a lot more like Alanis Morrisette than she did on her first album.

Along with this new look comes a whole new attitude. Rather than collaborating as she did in the past, Crow produced the album and wrote many of the songs on *Sheryl Crow* herself, allowing for a more personal style. Throughout the album, Crow addresses controversial topics, as well as stirring up some controversy of her own.

Walmart recently refused to sell Crow's new album in their nationwide chain of retail stores, citing that the lyrics, "Watch out sister, watch out brother, watch our children kill each other with the guns they bought at Walmart discount stores" in the song "Love Is A Good Thing" implying that the store is light on gun sale policies.

Aside from its attempt at more potent lyrics, *Sheryl Crow* does not stray far from the grass roots style that made Crow famous in the first place. The first single "If It Makes You Happy" is already garnering extensive air play, and is sure to become another notch in Crow's Top 10 belt. The album also features other radio-friendly tracks, such as "Maybe Angels" and "Everyday Is A Winding Road."

The influence of Crow's musical idols can be heard in various cuts, one being "Hard To Make A Stand." The first few notes of the chorus sound strangely like those of the Rolling Stones' classic "Ruby Tuesday." Also, Crow's vocals on "Redemption Day" strongly resemble the style of Joan Osborne. Crow even manages to duplicate herself. The track "Sweet Rosalin" might as well be titled "Can't Cry Anymore Revisited."

While Sheryl Crow tries for a fresh new look and some variety on her new album, she really does not stray far from her roots.

Sheryl Crow is sure to please fans of her first album, but if Crow was looking to pick up new listeners with this effort, she may want to reconsider.

PHOTO CREDIT: STEEN SUNDLAND

Sheryl Crow's attempt for change leaves listeners disappointed.

Tom Hanks wrote, directed and stars in "That Thing You Do."

Hank's "That Thing You Do" disapoints viewers

By LAURA MENARD
Staff Reporter

He's "Big," he's "Forrest," and he's even taken a ride on "Apollo 13." Tom Hanks, America's nice guy, is now taking a different approach to the Hollywood scene. Instead of charming audiences as the main man on the big screen, Hanks has hit the drawing board as writer and director of the new release "That Thing You Do!".

Let's face it, Tom Hanks has been flying high for a long time. Everything he touches seems to turn to gold. But unfortunately for Tom, all good things must come to an end. "That Thing You Do!" is a very superficial tale with no tears, no action, little romance and no conflict to be resolved in the end. It is these movie basics this Tom Hank's film is missing. The movie begins with a 1964 high school talent show. Four Erie Pa. dreamers stun a high school audience with their catchy tune, "That Thing You Do." Guy Patterson (Tom Everett Scott), the drummer, leads the group, The Wonders, with his rhythm and energetic personality. The other three musicians keep on singing that song they do the best, and way toomuch, throughout the entire movie.

The Wonders go from a talent show, to restaurant band regulars, to recording their first record. When the fans begin to build at their frequent night performances, the ball to stardom starts to roll.

With the signing of their first contract, The Wonders, make it to the radio waves. This seene, where the band members and their groupie Faye (Liv Tyler) first hear their song the radio, is the most fun and emotional clip of the entire movie.

The band's popularity continues to climb as they sign on with a major record company and take on that company's executive, Mr. White (Tom Hanks), as their new manager. The National Rock n' Roll tour that follows propels "That Thing You Do" to the Top 10 chart . Fame is now theirs.

There are girls screaming and autograph signings to be had by this new rock and roll sensation. They are called the "American Beatles" and loving every minute of it. Finally, they hit the ultimate experience, The Hollywood Television Showcase. They have made it to television. But as was mentioned before, all good things must come to an end, and these "one hit wonders" have their one moment in time, and that is that. As fast as they climb the rating charts, The Wonders fall apart just as quickly.

Tom Hanks' writing and directing debut is an overall disappointment. Not only does the film lack the basic audience grabbers, but it also is very redundant and has no core purpose.

The musical score by Howard Shore is upbeat and cute but it is played like a broken record. Not only do viewers learn the words and the tune, they sing it in their heads as they walk out of the theater and into their cars, and when they go to bed and get up the next morning. It never stops.

Well Tom, by the looks of your writing and directing, please stick to that thing you do best....being in movies, not making them.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Second part of "X-wing" leaves readers tantalized

By CRAIG HATLER
Staff Reporter

In Michael Stackpole's *X-Wing: Rogue Squadron*, the elite Rebel Alliance pilot group cleared ground for entrance into and conquest of the Galactic Core. In the sequel to *Rogue Squadron: Wedge's Gamble*, The New Republic Provisional Council has determined that Coruscant, the planet known as Imperial Center, is Rogue Squadron's ultimate target. For when the Capital of the crumbling Galactic Empire falls, the rest of the Core falls with it. However, Ysanne Isard, head of Imperial Intelligence and leader of the fragmented Post-Endor Imperial forces on Coruscant, will not give up her precious gem without retribution.

With the conquest of outlying areas in the Core, the planet Borleias in particular, the New Republic Provisional Council has given the Rebel Alliance Military permission to move in on Coruscant. However, the planet, named for its resemblance to the beautiful corusca gem, is protected by a mesh of overlapping energy shields that completely protect it from orbital bombardment. Admiral Ackbar, head of Alliance Military, gives Rogue Squadron the assignment to infiltrate the planet and somehow knock out its protection.

"Wedge's Gamble" is getting on to the planet, deactivating the shields and getting off without being captured or detected by Imperial forces. Although the Alliance seems confident in being able to conquer the Imperial capital, Ysanne Isard has other plans for the Empire's heart.

Through the efforts of her aides Kirtan Loor and Evir Derricote, it may seem that after taking Coruscant, the Alliance may not want it after all. Suspension mounts as the Rogues attempt to accomplish their goal through any means possible.

Stackpole has made the transition from *Rogue Squadron* to *Wedge's Gamble* exquisitely. He creates a plot twist that will keep readers biting their fingernails until they reach the last book in the series. It is interesting to note that several old friends are introduced into this part of the series. For example, we see the planet Kessel, spoken so frequently of in *Star Wars IV: A New Hope*, where the Rogues go to exchange political prisoners for imprisoned members of the Black Sun criminal organization, the main subject of *Shadows of the Empire*. In addition, the character Winter, a beautiful and mnemonically adept aide to Princess Leia, returns to offer Rogue Squadron an avenue of attack to take Coruscant.

All in all, this book presents several unresolved conflicts that wait to be seen in the third book *X Wing: The Kryptos Trap*. Keep reading, and may the Force be with you all!

God Street Wine rocks sold out Villanova Room

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

Something's Phish-y. This was the initial feeling as students looked around the sold out show for God Street Wine at 10 p.m. in the Villanova Room on Sept. 26.

Swarms of tie-dyed people passed by as everyone searched to find their place on the floor. As the lights went down, the crowd got up and the band soon appeared through the purple haze.

The fans hollered and clapped as the band announced, "We're God Street Wine from New York City!" The audience got even more excited when G.S.W. opened up with their first song, "She Comes Up Softly," a new single from their fourth album, *Red*.

Throughout the entirety of the show, the band entertained the crowd with everything from slow rock ballads, to blues rock, to fast crunchy rock that brought about some subdued headbanging. There was even a glimpse of someone bodysurfing. It was then one began to realize that G.S.W. has their own distinct style.

God Street Wine played selections from some of their previous albums as well, including "Bag" and "$1.99 Romances." Fresh off the H.O.R.D.E. tour, the band has formed a loyal following that was evident by the blissful dancers singing along, whether by themselves or in groups. The band's guitar solos were reminiscent of such rock bands as the Allman Brothers, and the keyboard added a unique modern twist to G.S.W.'s classic rock sound.

As the night progressed, instead of growing tired, the fans only got more enthused with each passing song. God Street Wine finished their last song, "Into the Sea" and most thought the show had come to an end. However, following traditional concert etiquette, God Street Wine came through with a soulful encore performance, much to the audience's delight. All in all, the concert proved to be a true crowd-pleaser with a price that could not be beat.

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Concerts

Electric Factory

October 12, 8:30 p.m. TICKETS: $16.50	Los Lobos Medeski, Martin & Wood NilLara
Oct. 13, 1 p.m. TICKETS: $ 17.50 NOTE:SHOW IS 21+	Octoberfest '96
Oct. 13, (after the Brewfest) 9:30 p.m. TICKETS: $18.50A	They Might Be Giants
Oct. 16, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $18.50	Bela Fleck & The Flecktones
Oct. 18, 8:30 p.m. TICKETS: $16	Butthole Surfers Cibo Matto
Oct. 19, 8:30 TICKETS: $18.50	Richard Thompson
Oct. 26, 8:30 p.m. TICKETS: $18.50	Suzanne Vega Jason Faulkner
Oct. 30, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $1.75	Marilyn Manson

The Theatre of the Living Arts

Oct. 4 8 p.m. TICKETS: $7.50	Tracy Bonham Red Five
Oct. 5, 8 p.m. TICKETS: Reserved $12.50	An Evening with: Ferron
Oct. 10, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $9.50	The Badlees
Oct. 11, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $12.50	Moxy Fruvous Johnny Vegas
Oct. 16, 8:30 p.m. TICKETS: $15.50-reserved ON SALE 10/4	Marshall Crenshaw Victor Delorenzo
Oct. 18, 8 p.m. TICKETS:$12.50	Maxwell
Oct. 19, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $15.50	An Evening with: The Brian Setzer Orchestra
Oct. 22-26 8 p.m. TICKETS: Reserved $26.75 ($28.75 for 10/25 and 10/26)	An Evening with: Ray Davies 20th Century Man
Nov. 10, 8 p.m. TICKETS: ON SALE 10/4!!!	The Heads

Corestates Arena

Oct. 8, 9 and 11 8 p.m. TICKETS: NOTE 10/8 and 9 are sold out!!	Kiss The Bogmen-open on 10/8 only
Nov. 17, 8 p.m. TICKETS: $37.50-50	The Who
Feb. 7 8 p.m. TICKETS: ALL TICKETS HONORED FROM 9/15 DATE	Gloria Estefan

Bryce Jordan Center

Oct. 7 7:30 p.m. TICKETS: $22.50	Dave Matthews Band
Oct. 17. 7:30 p.m. TICKETS: $22.50	Phish

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

The Samples latest demonstrates true talent

By DAVID VERICA
Assistant Entertainment Editor

The latest disc, *Outpost*, from the Boulder, Colorado based band The Samples, offers a dose of mature and diverse music that should appeal to wide variety of listeners.

Initially, the songs appear to cover all of the musical bases from dance and reggae, to country-folk and pop-punk. After a few spins though, the Samples' distinctively perky, trademark sound begins to register as familiar.

The Samples first began in Burlington, VT. when guitarist, Sean Kelly and bassist, Andy Sheldon met and began writing songs. Disheartened by long, cold Vermont winters, they subsequently moved to Boulder after dropping out of school.

Once there, they placed an ad at the University of Colorado and acquired drummer/programmer/percussionist,Jeep MacNichol. The trio played a fraternity party where they were approached by keyboardist, Al Laughlin, who offered his talents to complete the line-up.

The name, the Samples, comes from the days when the band was scrapping by on free food samples from the local super-market, King Sooper's. Their first real gig was on Easter Sunday of '87. Soon after, they were signed to Arista Records and embarked on extensive years of touring and recording.

After leaving Arista due to " irreconcilable differences ," the band began working with WAR? (What Are Records?) for their next four albums. In 1995, they fired their long time manager and picked up producer/manager, Walt Berry, who has worked with the band on their last three records.

Walt Berry and The Samples had their work cut out for them in making this record. The diversity of sounds and arrangements heard here would present a challenge to most other artists.

Outpost is filled with various sources of inspiration, including old material. " Did You Ever Look So Nice?" is on the WAR? Recording, *No Room*, and appears as the second track on *Outpost*. Both this song and others like, "The Birth of Words" particularly highlight Sean Kelly's broad lyrical scope, and collectively exemplify the Samples' distinguished groove. While listening to the Samples' music, one cannot help but wonder if these guys do not listen to a little too much Police and Paul Simon.

Other broader influences like Crosby, Stills and Nash, can be detected in pseudo country-folk numbers like " Indiana" and " The Lost Children." The song "Shine On," with a childrens' chorus and sparse, honky-dory guitar solo, seems to be constructed for the younger listener, yet it contrasts nicely juxtaposed with " Big Bird," which seems directed more toward the older, more hormone-regulated boys. The winner of this record is probably number 12, " All My Thought (Johnny Station Wagon)." This song had to be written for the sole purpose of getting funny looks as one belts it out on the way home from school one afternoon.

Lyrically, the album maintains a consistency tossing back and forth between a regretful nostalgia and desperate sense of insecurity. Its message seems to be: "Hey guys, relationships go bad; you learn to deal." On this record, it just seems like somebody is always leaving somebody else, only to wish they had not left at all or had not left so soon. There is definitely an undercurrent of ecological benevolence present, but it often comes off as almost parental.

If one is so inclined, The Samples and their fans have an on-line/off-line support group called Underwater People. They can be reached at Samples@nyx.net, for recording, touring and other information.

The Samples have come a long way from surviving on free food samples and do- it- yourself records. Three of the members have solo or side projects as well.

Perhaps these other projects are what contribute to the band's diversity and growth, or perhaps they have been tortured too long by the " punishment of freedom," but there really is something for everybody on *Outpost*.

The Samples new release *Outpost* is a real pleaser.

"2 Days in the Valley" pleases viewers more than "Pulp Fiction"

By WILL FERGUSON
Staff Reporter

John Herzfeld's" 2 Days in the Valley" unquestionably lends itself to be likened to Tarentino's" Pulp Fiction" because of its similar sporadic plot formation. Herzfeld claims he wrote the script before "Pulp Fiction" was released, but regardless,

"2 Days in the Valley" employs seemingly unrelated scenarios and gradually intertwines the characters into the same type of story line. The film's suspense fully climaxes to the closing scene, where, like in the final restaurant robbery scene in "Pulp Fiction, "everything is reconciled. The two movies differ greatly in that Tarentino leaves the viewer confused and speculative , while Herzield supplies us with a clearer sense of the film's moral.

"2 Days in the Valley" centers around the murder cover up of Olympic skier Becky Fox's ex-husband (played by Teri Hatcher). Tied into the crime is a washed up hitman named Dosmo (Danny Aiello), who missed his man fifteen years ago, and now gets another chance to redeem himself.

In addition, the plot surrounds a suicidal television director who finally finds something to write about and a vice cop who gets to work a homicide case. All of these characters' lives slowly interweave and culminate in one of the best surprise endings of the year.

"Pulp Fiction" leaves viewers wondering what is the thing clad in all black leather? And why does he live in a cage? Or what the hell is up with Zed? And why does he find Marsallas so irresistible? Or theorizing whether or not it was Marsallas' soul in the briefcase with the 666 code, stolen by the devil out of the back of his neck (which explains the band-aid). Who knows? Who cares?

This movie is by no means a cut and dry, black and white, good- conquers- evil type film, but at least audience members come away with some sort of meaning. In "2 Days in the Valley," Dosmo states, "It's been my experience that a loser has more honor than a winner," and this theme of losers triumphing is perpetuated throughout the film.

As audience members walked out of Pulp Fiction thinking, "Life is crazy, people are weird: good movie," viewers will walk out of " 2 Days in the Valley" thinking, "Life is crazy but meaningful, people are weird but good: this movie is better than "Pulp Fiction."

"Two Days in the Valley" lives up to its commercial hype.

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The Simpsons
by Andrew Gribbin

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S P O R T S

Field hockey team falters after impressive start

By J. BRIAN SEIDEL
Staff Reporter

After another disappointing showing this weekend, the field hockey team extended its losing streak to four, following back-to-back loses to St. Joe's and UConn.

The team first took on interstate rival St. Joe's. The Cats put up a good fight, but lost the game by the final of 3-2 in overtime. Senior co-captain Jill Basile led the team with seven shots along with her team leading 13th goal of the season.

The Cats broke out to a 1-0 lead on Basile's goal with a little more than 25 minutes remaining in the first period. St. Joe's scored the equalizer about eight minutes later to even the score at the half, 1-1.

Lucy Durbin put the Cats up by the score of 2-1, scoring her ninth goal of the season midway through the second period. Freshman Mary Krauss received the lone assist.

However, with 14 minutes remaining in regulation, the Hawks once again evened things up at two, sending the game into overtime. The Cats played tough in the extra frame, but ended up losing the game when St. Joe's scored with 11 and a half minutes remaining.

This was a heartbreaking lose for the team. These are the kinds of games that Head Coach Joanie Milhous needs her team to win.

The team came back home to face a formidable opponent in UConn. The Huskies showed why they are the best team in the Big East, defeating the Cats 5 - 1.

Once again, Jill Basile led the team, firing six shots on goal and accounting for the Cats' lone score.

UConn beat the Cats at every facet of the game. 'Nova was outshot 10-5 in the first half and 18-11 for the game. The Huskies also had an advantage in penalty corners 16-11.

UConn's Rose Aspelin opened the scoring by netting two of her three goals halfway through the first half. The goals came a little over one minute apart. After taking a 3-0 lead, Jill Basile got 'Nova on the scoreboard with under two minutes to play in the opening period.

The Huskies added two more goals in the second half en route to the win. Aspelin completed the hat trick with about 10 minutes remaining in the game.

This was a very disappointing loss for the team. It seems as though the team has not gained back the winning attitude that Coach Milhous has wanted to instill in them.

The team needs to get the confidence back that they had in the beginning of the season in order to turn the misfortunes around.

Hopefully, Milhous will be able to turn the team around in the next few weeks and put together a winning streak.

The team takes to road once again with matchups against Holy Cross on Sunday and LaSalle on Thursday Oct. 10. These two games will test the resiliency of the squad.

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The Wildcats have been struggling lately, losing to rivals St. Joe's and UConn. Despite an improved offense, the Cats have been unable to stop their opponents on defense.

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Volleyball continues win streak, slams opponents

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The stellar efforts of the women's volleyball team have taken them to even greater heights, as the Wildcats are riding a seven-game winning streak.

The Wildcats went 4-for-4 this past weekend, defeating American, Drexel, Lehigh and Pennsylvania at the University City Invitational held at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

On Sept. 25, the Wildcats had a rematch with Delaware and came up victorious once again, 12-15, 15-8, 15-3 and 15-8. Megan O'Brien had an outstanding game with 25 kills and 17 digs. Junior Marisa Davidson had 42 kills and six digs.

Sophomore Elizabeth Jones chipped in with 12 kills and 23 digs. Freshman Stacey Moline contributed 12 digs and 56 assists. Stacy Evans also turned in a solid outing with 20 kills and 10 digs.

On Sept. 27, the Wildcats faced American and captured the victory, 15- 12, 9- 15, 6-15 and 15-9. Junior captain Evans led the team with 26 kills and seven digs. Jones turned in a great performance with 10 kills and 13 digs.

O'Brien recorded 11 kills and four digs. The team's kill percentage was .319, as compared with American's .179.

'Nova came away with another victory against Lehigh, 15-5, 15-12 and 15-8. O'Brien led the winning effort with 14 kills and seven digs. Evans and Jones combined for 18 kills and 13 digs. Marisa Davidson contributed eight kills and four digs. Moline also had 32 assists in the victory.

The Wildcats captured another victory to keep the winning streak alive against Penn, 15-6, 15-13 and 15- 11. Evans led the way with 15 kills and 14 digs, while Davidson backed up those efforts with eight kills and seven digs. Senior Captain Debbi Picco had three kills and seven digs. Moline was again strong, turning in 33 assists.

'Nova ended the tournament in winning fashion with a victory over Drexel, 15-10, 15-10 and 15-3. Jones had a spectacularitar game with 15 kills and 9 digs. Evans and O'Brien combined for 23 kills and 26 digs.

The Wildcats will be looking to extend their winning streak to eight games and improve their 10-4 record against West Virginia today and Notre Dame on Sunday.

Women's crew team spanks competition

By MEGHAN SARBANIS
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's crew team started out its first varsity season on the right foot with two impressive performances at the Kings Head of the Schuykill Regatta on Sept. 22.

Due to a lack of competition at the collegiate level, neither the lightweight nor the championship eights were able to row, but both of the club boats did outstanding jobs.

The club four captured the team's first victory of the fall with a dominating performance.

That boat was made up of senior Amy Regis at stroke, followed by graduate student Michelle Washburn, senior Jen Diaz and junior Kautlin Schoefield in bow. They were coxed by sophomore coxswain Jen Smaltini.

The club eight then followed up that race with a superb second place finish of its own. Coxed by junior Jesss Merriam, the boat consisted of the following rowers (from stroke to bow): Regis, Schoefield, sophmores Rebecca Igoe, Melissa Falcone, Erin Mulvey, Jamie Hartman, Katie Arnell and senior Meghan Rooney.

"I was very pleased with both performances," Coach Jack St.Claire commented. "All of the rowers put forth a great effort."

"The club eight was the first collegiate team to finish and handily defeated the rest of the field losing only to the prestigious Lake Carnegie Rowing Club which primarily consists of a number of ex-Princeton rowers, probably the top rowing school in the country."

The team is looking forward to this upcoming weekend as it will head on the road out to Pittsburgh for the Head of the Ohio on Saturday Oct. 5.

It looks to be a challenging and exciting test for all of the team's boats.

The Villanovan's
Athletes of the Week

Male
Pat Kain
Water Polo

Pat, the team's leading scorer with 24 goals, notched four goals last weekend as the Cats toppled Slippery Rock and Bucknell to raise their record to 9-2.

Female
Megan O'Brien
Volleyball

Megan had an outstanding week as her team went 4-for-4. She collected 25 kills and 17 digs in a win over Delaware.

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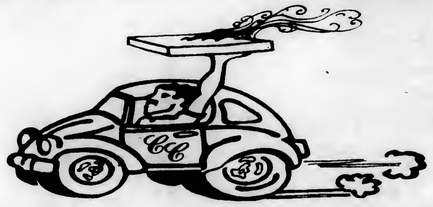

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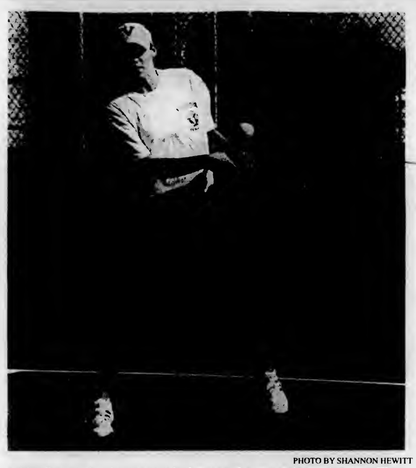

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT
Ashley Pagana has been a steady force on the women's tennis team. The junior helped the Lady Cats defeat Millersville.

Women's tennis swatted by Lehigh, evens record at 4-4

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
Staff Reporter

The women's tennis team played five matches within the course of a week. They competed against Lehigh University last Tuesday. Despite a strong effort, the team fell to Lehigh 3-4.

"We had chances, but came up a little short," said Head Coach Bob Batman.

Julie Bonner played well from the No. 1 spot with a 6-3, 7-6 win. Katie O'Brien won (6-0, 6-2) from No. 3. Meghan Daniels won her match (6-2, 6-2) playing at No 4. Two starters could not play, one due to injury and the other for class. Katie Cooper, suffering from a sprained ankle, made her return against Millersville. Ashley Pagana missed the match so that she could attend a mandatory lab.

The next test came the following day against Millersville. The Lady Wildcats won their match convincingly, 7 - 0.

"The team maintained its focus and intensity," said Batman.

The team's doubles play improved as Villanova swept Millersville in doubles competition. Singles play was strong as Dorothy Bellock (No. 2) won 6-3, 7-6. Ashley Pagana (No.5) won a close match 2-6, 6-2, 7-6. Freshman Jen Davis won her first collegiate match from the No. 6 spot (6-0, 6-3).

Loyola was the opponent Friday. This was a relatively close match, but they came up on the losing end. Four of six singles matches went three sets.

"The team had a good chance to pull these matches out," said Head Coach Bob Batman. Julie Bonner did win her match 4-6, 6-2, 6-4. Katie O'Brien won from No. 3 (6-2, 6-4). Julie Bonner and Dorothy Bellock won 9-8 in doubles.

Bucknell was a good match. The team played well, despite the 5-2 loss. Julie Bonner continued her winning ways (6-2, 6-2). Meghan Daniels won 6-4, 7-6. Doubles play continued to improve as Bonner/Bellock (No. 1) won 8-2. O'Brien/Pagana (No. 2) lost 8-6. Bonner remains undefeated in singles play.

Monday the women's tennis team faced Drexel. They won their match 5-2. The team swept doubles play again. Meghan Daniels continued to shine at the no. 4 spot (6-3, 6-1). Dorothy Bellock won her match (7-5, 7-6).

This week the team looks to its final competitions of the year.

"Mt. Saint Mary's will be a touch match-up," said Batman. "It will be a good test for us." They will face them today. Tuesday, the women's team will face Temple. They defeated Temple last year, but they are considerably stronger this year. The final match of the year will be played against Rider on Thursday. If the team performs to its potential, the result will be positive.

They have improved considerably on doubles play and the team stands at four wins and four losses.

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Women's soccer splits two

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team (4-6, 2-2 Big East) put in two fine efforts last week, notching a 3-0 victory over Seton Hall and falling, 3-1, to No. 3 Connecticut.

On Sept. 25, the Cats traveled to New Jersey and recorded their second Big East victory of the season against Seton Hall (4-3, 1-1). Ten minutes into the contest, senior forward Kathleen Roman registered her fifth goal of the season when she finished off a cross from junior Maura McGhee.

Less than seven minutes later, 'Nova added another goal when freshman Briar MacAdams converted on a cross from McGhee.

Four minutes into the second half, Villanova ended the scoring when senior Gigi Romero collected her first goal of the season when she headed a loose ball into the Pirate net.

The Cat defense posted its second shutout of the Big East season behind strong performances from Co-captain Kara Stanislawczyk, junior defender Stephanie Shields and goaltender Jeanne Hennessy.

Villanova returned home last Sunday for a clash with nationally-ranked Connecticut (9-1, 4-1) and came away on the short side of a 3-1 score.

Even though they lost, the Wildcats still left with their pride intact. Connecticut's three other Big East wins were over Providence, Georgetown and West Virginia by the scores of 10-0, 12-0 and 12-0, respectively.

The first half saw 'Nova fall behind 2-0 in the first nine minutes, and it appeared that they were lining up to be UConn's next blowout victim. Villanova, however, did not get discouraged.

The score remained unchanged for the next 46 minutes until Maura McGhee beat the Connecticut goaltender on a penalty kick to cut the lead in half. The Cats searched for the equalizer, but they were unable to find it, and, with just over 15 minutes remaining in the game, the Huskies added an insurance goal to spoil the possible upset.

Villanova goaltender Jeanne Hennessy turned away 18 shots to keep the Cats in the game.

On Sunday, the Wildcats will take on St. John's at 1 p.m. at West Campus and on Wednesday they will travel to Delaware.

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Intramural Update

MEN

SUNDAY

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Abbie	2	0	93	18
House of 96	2	0	65	12
Katherine Crushers	1	1	60	69
LDB	1	1	35	48
The Marauders	0	2	40	83
McGuire's Rubber Necks	0	2	24	87

MONDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
APD	2	0	57	28
MacDaddyz	1	1	69	63
Silver Bullets	1	1	40	44
Fab Frosh	0	2	50	81

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Dog Pile	2	0	44	12
The Program	1	1	37	22
NROTC "A"	1	1	40	49
Minerva's Raiders	0	2	24	62

TUESDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Green Hornets	2	0	95	24
Rage	2	0	67	0
I.L.C.S.	2	0	76	31
Pi Kapps	0	2	25	46
Wild Frosh	0	2	18	82
100 Proof	0	2	12	110

Stadium Grass

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Morning Missiles	2	0	68	19
After Shock	2	0	54	19
The Colts	1	1	46	34
Hard Corr	1	1	7	32
Pull Creature	0	2	13	33
ATO	0	2	18	69

WEDNESDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Lambda Chi Alpha 1	1	0	37	0
Pikes	1	0	26	6
New Revolution	1	0	20	19
The Black Knights	0	1	19	20
Lambda Chi Alpha 2	0	1	6	26
Beta Theta Pi	0	1	0	37

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Team Pimp	1	0	48	24
Dirty Dozen	1	0	35	20
Law	0	1	20	35
Moriarty	0	1	24	48

THURSDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Quick Change	1	0	47	25
Thundering Herd	1	0	30	14
Fist Heads	1	0	14	6
Fightin' Squirrels	0	1	6	14
The Legends	0	1	14	30
Sigma Pi	0	1	25	47

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
JB's	1	0	26	20
Hard Corr Killers	1	0	19	18
Flag Brigade	0	1	18	19
Shots in Your Face	0	1	20	26

WOMEN

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Foxfire	2	0	40	6
Tri Delta	1	1	49	38
Alpha Delta Pi	1	1	32	58
Foofies	0	2	0	0

CO-ED

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Guys and Dolls	1	0	12	6
Hurricane Fran	1	0	6	0
Too Easy	0	1	0	6
Sullivan-Sheehan	0	1	6	12

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Name	Record	LW
1. Thundering Herd	1-0	1

The Thundering Herd got off to a somewhat sluggish start, beating the Legends 30-14. The Herd, which hasn't lost a game in two years, took on the Fightin' Squirrels yesterday, who lost 14-6 in their first game.

2. Rage	2-0	2

The Rage completed its second shutout of the season, beating Pi Kapps 20-0. The Rage, which now has outscored its opponents 67-0, will look to continue its defensive dominance next week against the lowly 100 Proof, which has lost by an average score of 55-6.

3. Abbie	2-0	3

Playing without their starting quarterback, Abbie still dominated their opponent, beating McGuire's Rubber Necks, 49-12. Abbie will play two games this Sunday, one of which will be against undefeated House of 96.

4. Dog Pile	2-0	4

The Pile won by forfeit as The Program couldn't field a team in what would have been the game of the week. They take on the Navy team next week, who came back from a loss against the Program with an 18-12 victory over Minerva's Raiders.

5. Pikes	1-0	7

The Pikes move up even though they didn't play a game due to rain. Both The Program and the MacDaddyz drop down after registering losses.

6. I.L.C.S.	2-0	8

The lacrosse team continued its impressive play, beating 100 Proof, 50-6. They will take on No. 8 Green Hornets this week. Both teams are undefeated and join Rage in the Top Ten, making the Tuesday Austin league the most impressive group of teams.

7. APD	2-0	9

APD won its contest against the MacDaddyz, who had to play half the game with just five players. Next week, they take on the Fab Frosh, 27-26 losers to the Silver Bullets this past week and 54-24 losers to the MacDaddyz.

8. Green Hornets	2-0	10

The Hornets outdistanced the Wild Frosh, 35-18. The Wild Frosh were coming off a 47-0 loss, so next week's game against the lacrosse team should be a bigger test for the Hornets. In any event, they've scored 95 points in their first two games.

9. The Program	1-1	5

The Program dropped four spots since they were unable to take the field against No. 4 Dog Pile. According to Intramural rules, they are non ineligible for post season play since they did not give the league office 24 hours notice.

10. Quick Change	1-0	--

Quick Change, who spent several weeks in the Top Ten last year, revisit the rankings. They beat Sigma Pi, 47-25. They played yesterday after the deadline against Fist Heads, who also won their first game.

Last Week's "Games of the Week"

The two Top Ten match-ups were very anti-climatic.

No. 4 Dog Pile won by forfeit over No. 5 The Program. The Program did not call in their forfeit until two hours prior to the game. Therefore, according to Intramural rules, they should be barred from post-season play.

APD, formerly No. 9, upset No. 6 MacDaddyz. The MacDaddyz were forced to play the entire second half with only five players as receiver Ryan Schalk went down with a knee injury during the first half. Given the six-five advantage, APD was able to have a player left uncovered on every play. APD, which moved into the Top Ten last week with its victory over the Silver Bullets, moved up to No. 7. APD's 39-15 win over the MacDaddyz featured a strong performance from their scrambling quarterback. The first half was actually interesting as both team's scored on their first possessions. APD received the ball to start the game and scored on a blown coverage. The MacDaddyz retaliated, scoring on their very first play. The MacDaddyz ended up having two touchdowns called back, as well as dropping a TD.

APD capitalized, jumping out to a two touchdown lead.

APD's defense employed a good zone defense once Schalk went down, and their offense patiently advanced downfield against the understaffed MacDaddy team. Conscious of the ranking implications, APD called two time-outs in the final 15 seconds to score a final touchdown on the last play. In any event, APD proved it's a force to be reckoned with, holding the MacDaddyz to its lowest point total in three years.

For the MacDaddyz, formerly No. 6, the future looks questionable. Schalk will undergo an MRI to see if he will be back for playoff time.

This Week's Game of the Week:

No. 6 I.L.C.S. vs. No. 8 Green Hornets

Tuesday 5 p.m., Austin Field

Check the next issue of *The Villanovan* for a soccer round-up.

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KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

Thank God the baseball season is only 162 games long. We Phillies fans were spared the agony of a 100th loss, but just barely.

The only down side, I guess, is that we don't get to use the No. 1 pick in the draft to get the rights to some-nine-year old Dominican who can throw from second to home at a rate of 80 miles per hour. Or maybe we do; to be honest, I have no idea whether or not the Phils were the worst team in the league or not. I stopped looking at the standings once we were eliminated from the pennant race sometime in early May.

The only real good news I heard about the Fightin' Phils this whole year was last Friday when that paragon of journalism Vai Sikahema himself announced that Jim Fregosi would be fired within a week. I couldn't believe it. But how could I doubt Vai, the Mencken of our age. The Philadelphia Phillies finally realized that Fregosi just plain stinks.

Call me crazy, but I think it was pretty evident when, during that magical 1993 season, he deemed it necessary to put Wild Thing in every single game, regardless of how well anyone else was pitching. Apparently he had one of those Richie Kotite play cards that said "Ninth inning = Williams." But I digress. That is in the past.

So Friday night I was dizzy with the possibilities. Would we get Buck Showalter? No, he was already pegged for the Arizona job. How about Jim Leyland? Then again why would he quit the job in Pittsburgh because the team's owner is cheap, they have no talent and the stadium's never more than a quarter full to come to a job in Philadelphia where the owner's cheap, there's no talent and. . . you get the idea.

Before I got a chance to design a plan whereby the Phils could find some escape clause in Tony Larusa's contract and lure him to South Philly with a wheelbarrow full of money, Sikahema reported the Phillies were focusing their search on . . . Larry Bowa. LARRY BOWA?!

Now, don't get me wrong, I'm as big of a Larry Bowa fan as the next guy. As far as I'm concerned, he stands at third base spitting and grabbing his crotch as well as anyone who has ever coached third base. And on that once-a-season occasion when the Phillies actually send a guy from second to home, nobody twirls his arm better for my money. But, c'mon, are we really to believe that the Phillies problems are so slight that a tiny personnel move like this is going to bring us to that 75-win Promised Land? I think not.

The solution to Philadelphia's problems does not involve a little tweak here and a pinch there. Rearranging a bad coaching staff is not the answer. Just like putting the Phillie Phanatic at catcher isn't going to solve our problem there either.

The team's problems are major, and therefore require major solutions. And those solutions don't start anywhere within a 50-mile radius of Broad and Pattison.

The NFL's incredible, ballooning linemen

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

While watching the NFL battles in the trenches the past few seasons, I've noticed a disturbing trend. It seems that the masses of humanity on your average offensive line seem to be getting bigger and bigger every season. It's getting harder and harder to read the numbers on these behemoth's jerseys as the numbers are stretched farther and farther horizontally across their massive bellies. About 10 years ago, a team would rarely list a player over 300 pounds. Now, it is extremely rare to find an offensive lineman under 300.

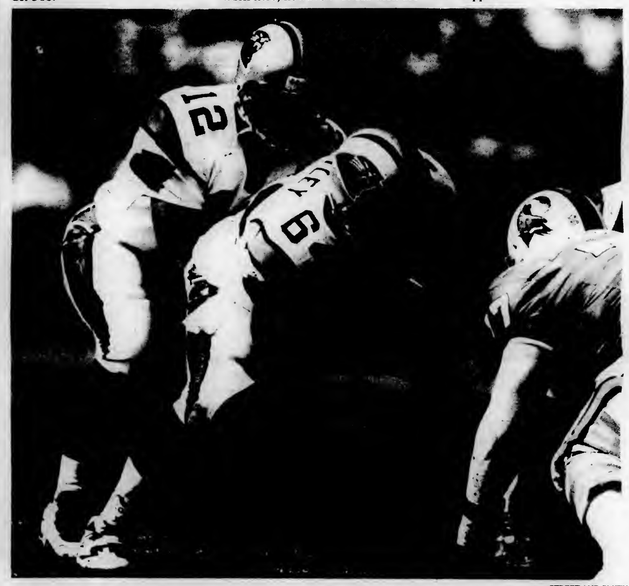
Philadelphia Eagles Head Coach Ray Rhodes put it best when asked about why he drafted 6-foot-4, 325 pound guard Jermane Mayberry in last spring's NFL draft.

"We need guys that can block out the sun," Rhodes said. "This guy can block out the sun."

So this is the way the NFL is heading towards solar eclipses caused by offensive lineman. This would be fine if it were natural, meaning the players were getting stronger, bigger (as in taller) and faster. This is what has happened to most other positions like cornerback, wide receiver and running back. Darwinism is not the force at work here, however. These men are just getting *fatter*.

I'm sure you've seen it. Lineman laying on the ground, rolls of blubber jiggling, leaving a large crater in the grass or turf after two or three guys have helped them up. I wouldn't really consider these guys athletic.

A humorous illustration of this occurred a few years ago when John Madden was announcing a Cowboys game. Ex-Cowboy offensive lineman Terry Kinard had fallen to the ground, and after he was up and the dust had cleared, Madden noticed a piece of debris laying on the field. The cameras zoomed in on it, and he circled it on the telestrator. It was a *Snickers* bar wrapper.



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Regardless, it seems that fat is here to stay. The Dallas Cowboys' offensive line, which has carried Emmit Smith to rushing titles and the Cowboys to Super Bowls, is the model for what a great offensive line should be. Their five starting linemen average a svelte 319 pounds. It's not too difficult to find three girls here at Villanova that don't add up to that much.

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Despite my objections, it appears that mammoth offensive linemen are here to stay. Teams want to go into battle with the biggest guys that they can get to protect their field generals. There's nothing that anyone can do to change that. So just sit tight and await the coming of the first 400-pound lineman.

PSU vs. OSU: An early championship

By JON NEHLSEN
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The teams are set. The hype has started. It's that time of year again. Time for the NCAA national championship.

Wait. It isn't New Years Day. The Rose Bowl is still almost three months away. How can the national champ be crowned in October, you ask? Simple, Penn State travels into Columbus, Ohio tomorrow for a clash of the gridiron titans. This isn't just a rivalry between two perennial football powerhouses. Nor is it merely a match up of two unbeaten teams. It is the game of the year between the two best teams in college football.

All you Seminoles supporters and Gators gurus are just going to have to accept the fact that your teams are to college football what Pac 10 teams are to college hoops. All flash. Sure, they run the score up week in and week out. Sure, they are ranked in the top three every single preseason. But rarely are they there to enjoy the spoils of the ultimate victory in the Yuletide season. The fact is, the college football season will be decided by 6 p.m. tomorrow night.

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Then comes a stalwart linebacking corps led by Aaron Collins. The senior linebacker ravaged Wisconsin quarterback Mike Samuel for three sacks last week. As it is near impossible to go deep against the Penn State secondary, the linebackers will punish running backs and tight ends who try to go underneath.

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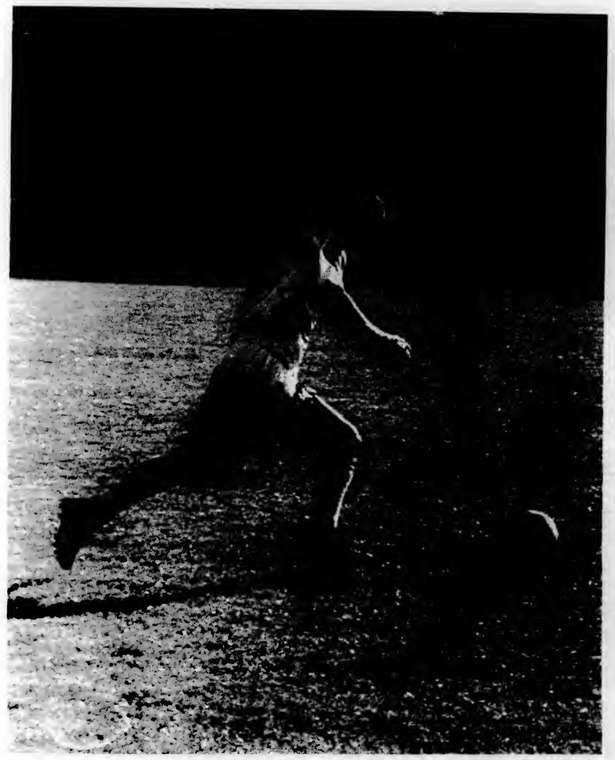

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At mid-season, Kain leads the team in scoring with 24 goals, while Santoro leads in steals with 24. In the net for Villanova, Brian Brown has played in all but one game, collecting 84 saves.

The Cats are resting up this week before trying to tame the Wild West in a tough California road trip during fall break.

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Homecoming '96 plans finalized

By JANNA DOUVILLE
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On Homecoming Weekend, Nov. 1-3, there will be the usual gathering on Sheehan and Austin fields. However, only alumni and seniors will be invited to attend, and there will be a separate "Wildcat Kickoff" for undergraduate students.

With the University's Homecoming Weekend drawing near, much talk has been traveling through campus concerning events for this year's upcoming event. Those who attended the festivities in 1995 noticed that changes had taken place from past years. In an effort to control excessive underage drinking, two distinct areas on Sheehan and Austin fields were created.

The "Wildcat Kickoff" will consist of a localized picnic in the Quad, between Sheehan and Sullivan dormitories, before the start of the day's football game. Similar to previous "Street Dances" in the Quad, food will be provided and the radio station, Q102, will be playing music. A similar picnic will occur on South Campus at the same time. There will be a Ski/Skate exposition, offering entertaining exhibitions that will take place on main campus.

Randy Farmer, director of Student Development, said that these Homecoming plans originated after countless discussions between members of Student Development, Student Life, and Alumni Affairs. Farmer said that Homecoming is in a transition period. In the past, irresponsible drinking during Homecoming has led to behavior of which the University has not been proud. Through the process of change, these organizations hope that with each year, more improvements will be made.

As for Homecoming 1996, Richard A. Neville, vice president of Student Life, said the focus was on trying to find an event that met the satisfactions of returning alumni, seniors and undergraduates. The consensus was that this could not be done in a single event. Therefore, a separate, alcohol free activity needed to be planned for undergraduates that would gain their interest and support.

Both Farmer and Neville agree that this was not a simple task. While trying to find something that would work, Farmer said the localized picnics planned for this year were agreed to be the best idea at this time.

The idea of having a big name band perform during the weekend was considered. However, while Neville said that it was a desirable goal, he added that "it is a dilemma we haven't been able to resolve as yet." Obstacles such as lack of space for the concert, and the difficulty of successfully managing the event have delayed the process.

PHOTO BY KIM COTE

This year's Homecoming festivities on Austin field will only be open to seniors over the age of 21 and alumni.

Farmer added that the date of Homecoming this year played a large role in the discussion. Very few bands will agree to play outside this late in the year. However, because of conflicts with the football schedule, Parent's Weekend, Fall Break and Special Olympics, this was the only acceptable weekend for Homecoming to occur.

Through this transition period, Farmer said that one goal is also to place more emphasis on the football team. However, Neville said that through the years, the game has lost its importance during Homecoming Weekend. Both Farmer and Neville are hoping that these changes will restore support for the team and lead to better attendance at the Homecoming game.

Three recent Rohypnol reports cause campus to react

By CALISTA HARDEN
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In response to at least three reported incidents of assault using Rohypnol, the campus community is mobilizing against this ripple of crime.

Rohypnol, also known as the "date rape drug" or "ruffies," has been slipped into three female students' drinks in a sexual assault or attempted sexual assault since September. One of these incidents occurred on campus. Another poisoning may have happened last school year before the word was out about Rohypnol. All the signs of Rohypnol poisoning in this incident were present, but the student was not tested for the substance. Students, faculty, and staff are taking efforts to address this new threat.

"The way we combat [Rohypnol] is with knowledge and awareness, to put everyone on their guard. We need something like a neighborhood watch against this thing. We all need to take a responsibility in this," said Neil Holland, president of the Interfraternity Council. According to the Greek leaders on campus, sororities and fraternities have a special responsibility to confront the abuse of Rohypnol. "Whether it is real or perceived, [sororities and fraternity] are responsible for much of the social life on campus," said Gary Bonas, director of Greek Affairs and Leadership Development. Educational programming for sororities was started last spring and has continued this year. Campus-wide educational programming is presently being initiated by the Center of Alcohol and Drug Abuse. One of the victims may assist in programming next semester by sharing her story. Flyers are also being posted by Public Safety with information about Rohypnol.

Rohypnol is a tranquilizer ten times more powerful than Valium that can cause temporary amnesia, lose of muscle control and/or sleep and in extreme cases respiratory aspiration and death. The drug is illegal in the US, but it is brought in from other countries where it is legally used before surgery or for insomnia. It is inexpensively available on the streets. The odorless and tasteless white tablet is dissolved in food or drink to sedate the victim within 20 to 30 minutes of consumption. The effects of the drug last for six to eight hours. During this period, the victim often has no muscle control and can be assaulted or robbed. The drug can be detected in the blood stream of the victim up to 60 hours after the poisoning. Tests for detection of the drug will be available at the Center for Alcohol and

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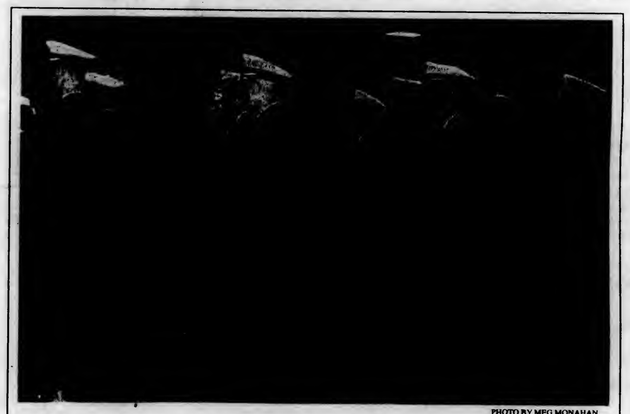

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Naval ROTC hosted its annual "Fall Review" on Oct. 8, swearing in its freshmen as midshipmen.

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The economics department of the College of Commerce and Finance hosted a lecture in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center on Oct. 22, featuring Charles L. Schultze of the Brookings Institution. Tuesday's lecture, "Promoting Economic Growth: Promises are Easy, Delivery is Hard," was the seventh in a series of programs concerning public policy initiated by the late Joseph L. Lucia of the economics department.

Schultze is a distinguished economist who is currently a senior fellow in the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C. He served as director of the U.S. Bureau of the Budget under President Lyndon B. Johnson, and as Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors under President Jimmy Carter. In 1984 Schultze served as president of the American Economic Association.

After an introduction by Professor James Giordano of the economics department, Schultze began by addressing the topic of the current status of economic growth in the United States today. The issue, he said, was a large part of both of the presidential candidates' platforms, and is nearly central to Dole's campaign. He said that the current status of economic growth is good. Schultze uses the following three factors to make his judgement: there have been no policy mistakes, financial excess is at a minimum and the probability of an oil shock is low.

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Pat Kain led the team with three goals and Marcus Sanford, Jamie Randall and Paul Granneman each tallied one a piece to round out the scoring. In the afternoon match-up against the host school, 'Nova used a balanced scoring attack to topple Bucknell, 18-14. Darren Hardel and Dave Prusakowski each scored four goals while Brian Tomsheck put in three, Brian Swider two, and Kain, Granneman, Sanford and Anthony Santoro each scored once to secure the victory.

At mid-season, Kain leads the team in scoring with 24 goals, while Santoro leads in steals with 24. In the net for Villanova, Brian Brown has played in all but one game, collecting 84 saves.

The Cats are resting up this week before trying to tame the Wild West in a tough California road trip during fall break.

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Homecoming '96 plans finalized

By JANNA DOUVILLE
Staff Reporter

On Homecoming Weekend, Nov. 1-3, there will be the usual gathering on Sheehan and Austin fields. However, only alumni and seniors will be invited to attend, and there will be a separate "Wildcat Kickoff" for undergraduate students.

With the University's Homecoming Weekend drawing near, much talk has been traveling through campus concerning events for this year's upcoming event. Those who attended the festivities in 1995 noticed that changes had taken place from past years. In an effort to control excessive underage drinking, two distinct areas on Sheehan and Austin fields were created.

The "Wildcat Kickoff" will consist of a localized picnic in the Quad, between Sheehan and Sullivan dormitories, before the start of the day's football game. Similar to previous "Street Dances" in the Quad, food will be provided and the radio station, Q102, will be playing music. A similar picnic will occur on South Campus at the same time. There will be a Ski/Skate exposition, offering entertaining exhibitions that will take place on main campus.

Randy Farmer, director of Student Development, said that these Homecoming plans originated after countless discussions between members of Student Development, Student Life, and Alumni Affairs. Farmer said that Homecoming is in a transition period. In the past, irresponsible drinking during Homecoming has led to behavior of which the University has not been proud. Through the process of change, these organizations hope that with each year, more improvements will be made.

As for Homecoming 1996, Richard A. Neville, vice president of Student Life, said the focus was on trying to find an event that met the satisfactions of returning alumni, seniors and undergraduates. The consensus was that this could not be done in a single event. Therefore, a separate, alcohol free activity needed to be planned for undergraduates that would gain their interest and support.

Both Farmer and Neville agree that this was not a simple task. While trying to find something that would work, Farmer said the localized picnics planned for this year were agreed to be the best idea at this time.

The idea of having a big name band perform during the weekend was considered. However, while Neville said that it was a desirable goal, he added that "it is a dilemma we haven't been able to resolve as yet." Obstacles such as lack of space for the concert, and the difficulty of successfully managing the event have delayed the process.

Farmer added that the date of Homecoming this year played a large role in the discussion. Very few bands will agree to play outside this late in the year. However, because of conflicts with the football schedule, Parent's Weekend, Fall Break and Special Olympics, this was the only acceptable weekend for Homecoming to occur.

Through this transition period, Farmer said that one goal is also to place more emphasis on the football team. However, Neville said that through the years, the game has lost its importance during Homecoming Weekend. Both Farmer and Neville are hoping that these changes will restore support for the team and lead to better attendance at the Homecoming game.

PHOTO BY KIM COTE

This year's Homecoming festivities on Austin field will only be open to seniors over the age of 21 and alumni.

Three recent Rohypnol reports cause campus to react

By CALISTA HARDEN
Assistant News Editor

In response to at least three reported incidents of assault using Rohypnol, the campus community is mobilizing against this ripple of crime.

Rohypnol, also known as the "date rape drug" or "ruffies," has been slipped into three female students' drinks in a sexual assault or attempted sexual assault since September. One of these incidents occurred on campus. Another poisoning may have happened last school year before the word was out about Rohypnol. All the signs of Rohypnol poisoning in this incident were present, but the student was not tested for the substance. Students, faculty, and staff are taking efforts to address this new threat.

"The way we combat [Rohypnol] is with knowledge and awareness, to put everyone on their guard. We need something like a neighborhood watch against this thing. We all need to take a responsibility in this," said Neil Holland, president of the Interfraternity Council. According to the Greek leaders on campus, sororities and fraternities have a special responsibility to confront the abuse of Rohypnol. "Whether it is real or perceived, [sororities and fraternity] are responsible for much of the social life on campus," said Gary Bonas, director of Greek Affairs and Leadership Development. Educational programming for sororities was started last spring and has continued this year. Campus-wide educational programming is presently being initiated by the Center of Alcohol and Drug Abuse. One of the victims may assist in programming next semester by sharing her story. Flyers are also being posted by Public Safety with information about Rohypnol.

Rohypnol is a tranquilizer ten times more powerful than Valium that can cause temporary amnesia, lose of muscle control and/or sleep and in extreme cases respiratory aspiration and death. The drug is illegal in the US, but it is brought in from other countries where it is legally used before surgery or for insomnia. It is inexpensively available on the streets. The odorless and tasteless white tablet is dissolved in food or drink to sedate the victim within 20 to 30 minutes of consumption. The effects of the drug last for six to eight hours. During this period, the victim often has no muscle control and can be assaulted or robbed. The drug can be detected in the blood stream of the victim up to 60 hours after the poisoning. Tests for detection of the drug will be available at the Center for Alcohol and

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PHOTO BY MEG MONAHAN

Naval ROTC hosted its annual "Fall Review" on Oct. 8, swearing in its freshmen as midshipmen.

Economist gives Lucia lecture

By MICHAEL LLEWELLYN
Staff Reporter

The economics department of the College of Commerce and Finance hosted a lecture in the Villanova Room of the Connelly Center on Oct. 22, featuring Charles L. Schultze of the Brookings Institution. Tuesday's lecture, "Promoting Economic Growth: Promises are Easy, Delivery is Hard," was the seventh in a series of programs concerning public policy initiated by the late Joseph L. Lucia of the economics department.

Schultze is a distinguished economist who is currently a senior fellow in the Brookings Institute in Washington, D.C. He served as director of the U.S. Bureau of the Budget under President Lyndon B. Johnson, and as Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors under President Jimmy Carter. In 1984 Schultze served as president of the American Economic Association.

After an introduction by Professor James Giordano of the economics department, Schultze began by addressing the topic of the current status of economic growth in the United States today. The issue, he said, was a large part of both of the presidential candidates' platforms, and is nearly central to Dole's campaign. He said that the current status of economic growth is good. Schultze uses the following three factors to make his judgement: there have been no policy mistakes, financial excess is at a minimum and the probability of an oil shock is low.

Schultze said that the long term prospects are not as promising. Em-

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EDITORIALS

Finally, we at the Villanovan have gotten a letter from Dave Greason that doesn't complain about something we've done. Also, surprise, surprise, surprise--Patterson's going to vote for Dole. What a shocker! Apparently, Marc Angelaccio has figured out what has always been readily apparent to any thinking being--He doesn't know what he's talking about.

FEATURES

For those of you keeping count on the Klesh-meter, this week marks the 37 time Features has covered the life of the man in brown--Kevin "I'm going to rule this place" Klesh. Also, Blue Key is on the lookout for additional Stepford Villanovans to give tours and spread propoganda. Finally, Halloween is not just for kids anymore.

ENTERTAINMENT

The assistant entertainment editor went to the Pokey this past week in order to find out all of the fun things to do in a 19th century prison in Philadelphia. Also, this week's section is just chocked full of cultural stuff including two cultural films and yet another review of some Star Wars books. Apparently, Chewbaka forces C3PO to serve as his geisha girl while R2-D2 mixes margaritas. Boy do the hi-jinx begin when Boba Fett enters the picture.

SPORTS

Check out Klick this week for a full detail, no punches pulled discussion of the most important groin in all of Philadelphia. Man, is it your lucky day. Fire and Ice offer us, free of charge, their picks for the up-coming NBA season. If you're smart, you'll lay your book now before Fire and Ice's predictions come out in paperback.

Lectures address Catholic higher education

By KEN RACOWSKI
Staff Reporter

David J. O'Brien presented the first of four lectures to be sponsored by the department of theology and religious studies on Oct. 7, speaking on "The Possible Catholic Future of Catholic Higher Education."

O'Brien is a professor of history and Roman Catholic studies at the College of Holy Cross. A distinguished historian of American Catholicism, O'Brien has recently published *The Heart of the American Church: Catholic Higher Education and American Culture.* This book was the result of a sabbatical in 1992 in which O'Brien spent the year organizing his years of knowledge on Catholic higher education and producing a work which he says is "essentially everything I know about the subject." The lecture expanded upon the book while adding a few new elements to the discussion.

O'Brien began by saying that one must first believe that the Catholic Church is a good thing for the human family in order to allow Catholic higher education to flourish. He used the phrase "prosperous identity" to describe the current state of Catholic higher education in the United States. While the majority of Catholic universities have been enjoying a fair degree of success recently, there has been a lot of uncertainty about their Catholic mission and identity. Not only are the universities struggling with the acceptance of the liberal lifestyles adopted by the majority of college students in the 1990s, but they are also following a pattern of secularization from within. This separate incorporation of lay Catholics onto the Board of Trustees is an attempt to find the correct balance between this newly prevalent secularity and the Catholic tradition the university was founded upon.

O'Brien went on to discuss the necessity of a university's Catholic identity to permeate every aspect of campus life and not be restricted to certain segregated sectors. "All the good that a university does must necessarily be connected to the central identity of that school and not be limited to only the Theology Department and Campus Ministry." He stressed that it is in accordance with the academic "good" of the university to take responsibility for the good of the community at large.

One of the major causes of the uncertainty that O'Brien discussed earlier in the lecture was found to be professionalism. Although a professor has a responsibility to conduct research and publish his/her findings for the purpose of advancing their own knowledge and reputation, they must not lose sight of the Catholic dedication to educating their students through teaching .

The faculty must strive to promote Catholic intellectual life in the classroom so as to bring the academic classrooms into accordance with the Catholic identity of the university. "Catholic intellectual life is the end of which Catholic higher education is the mean." While striving to produce intelligent Catholics, in accordance with the university's Catholic identity, one's own faith possesses an intrinsic drive to make itself intelligible to the individual. To attain Catholic intellectual life requires a deliberate strategic action, it will not just happen.

Therefore, as O'Brien stated at the beginning of the lecture, the individual members of the University community must hold the belief that the Catholic Church and its works are a good thing and then must exert this effort to attain intellectual life through that Christian tradition. From this point, although people will have a good idea of what's wrong in life, it is still hard to say what exactly the community of faith needs to do to ensure its correction. O'Brien then suggested that organizing to contribute to the public life of the Church in society will complete the process.

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Dr. David J. O'Brien discussed his book on Catholic higher education.

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Incidents of date rape drug cause campus concern

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Drug Assistance soon.

A community meeting was held Oct. 6 to discuss the responsibilities and duties of the campus in regard to Rohypnol. Dr. Gaile Pohlhaus, professor of theology and religious studies, organized the discussion. Faculty, staff and students brain-stormed about the problems making the University susceptible to Rohypnol attacks and solutions to the problem.

Attitudes and behaviors seem to make the campus more vulnerable to the criminal use of Rohypnol were alcohol abuse, misguided tolerance, lack of things to do, some students not knowing how to have fun and trivialization of the issue. Suggested solutions to rid the community of Rohypnol were conducting educational presentations, developing more positive norms in the community, raising intolerance for certain behavior, discussing sexuality more and having the entire community work together. A follow-up meeting will be Sunday, Oct. 27 at 7:30 in the honors seminar room of the St. Augustine Center.

The three reported victims have not yet decided to take legal action against their attackers, but a bill to stiffen the penalty for giving another person a tranquilizer or intoxicant without their consent is being considered in Congress. Putting Rohypnol secretly into someone's drink or food will be a second-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in jail and a $25,000 fine. Rapes induced by Rohypnol are occurring all over the nation with many people waging battles against it. Now the campus community believes that it is time to fight. "Anything we can do to raise people's consciousness and make people safer it is our responsibility," said Megan Joyce, president of the Panhellenic Council.

Scientists use frogs for studying human gender differences

By LAURA HALASA
Staff Reporter

The University's honors and biology departments welcomed Dr. Darcy B. Kelly to campus on Oct. 3 to guest-lecture in Mendel Hall and to familiarize students and faculty on the "motivating forces which draw scientists to their work," he said.

Kelly is a prominent professor in neuro-biological science at Columbia University and is this year's Phi Beta Kappa Scholar. His lecture focused on the differences between character traits in males and females and why certain traits are ascribed to males only and others to females only, through the process of evolution.

Kelly linked the differences between males and females to Darwin's theory of sexual or natural selection. "Sexual selection depends on the success of certain individuals over others of the same sex in relation to the propagation of the species," said Kelly.

"The sexual struggle is of two kinds. In the one it is between the individuals of the same sex, generally the male sex, in order to drive away or kill their rivals, the females remaining passive, whilst in the other, the struggle is likewise between individuals of the same sex, in order to excite or charm those of the opposite sex. . . generally the females, which can no longer remain passive , but select the more agreeable partner," Kelly added.

Darwin's dilemma is, "Why are certain characteristics inherited by both sexes, and other characteristics by one sex, alone." Kelly, along with scientist Martha DeBias, is in the process of studying the traits and specific hormones of the South African Clawed Frog, in order to try to relate her findings to human behavior. Kelly studies the courtship of the male frogs to the female frogs by closely analyzing the vocal patterns used during the times of reproduction. Kelly and DeBias hope to use the animals to unlock their evolutionary character trait mystery and to help Darwin solve his dilemma.

Kelly not only gave lectures to the University community, but she held office hours for all interested in speaking with her about her work in science and life in general. Kelly intrigued all who attended her lectures and gave her audience new ways of looking at the differences between men and women.

FILE PHOTO

Dr. Charles Schultze's lecture on Oct. 22 addressed economic growth.

Economics lecture

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ployment is up, but wages have been stagnating since the mid-1970's. This stagnation, added Schultze, is applicable to economic growth as well.

Schultze went on to explore the possibilities that lie in public policy to encourage growth. His two major suggestion were tax cuts and a boost in spending on education and training. The primer has been the selected solution of the Republicans and a letter of the Democrats. Schultze indicated that research has shown that tax cuts only yield modest benefits in economic growth, meaning that Bob Dole's promises to cut taxes in addition to balancing the budget are practically impossible. President Clinton's proposals, he said, are only slightly more realistic.

If the government aims to make serious progress concerning economic growth, said Schultze, the politicians should focus increased energy on Medicare and Social Security.

Greg Banacki, a political science major and economics minor said, "The speech was very interesting. It kept my attention and it covered all the topics that I had been interested in hearing about."

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- Proposers must provide an exhaustive timeline describing planning activities and marketing strategies.
- Event must address an apparent need of students and/or community.
- Organization advisor demonstrates awareness of their support of the respective activity.
- Organization and/or group leaders should have demonstrated past leadership and/or programming competence.

FORMAT

- Introduction: A brief summary outlining the purpose of the program.
- Main Body: Addresses above criteria under appropriate sub-headings.
- Budget Summary: A description of all possible expenses and income. Including cost for materials, publicity, security, facilities support (electricians, custodial services, etc.), talent, transportation, housing, food, t-shirts, etc.

Your written proposal should address all of the above areas and be organized under the described format. All written proposals should be submitted by November 15th and should be for programs planned for spring semester (given the time needed to organize major events), however, some special exceptions may be made. The Special Allocations Board will review the proposals. Some organization leaders will be asked to meet with the Special Allocations Board to discuss their program. Please contact the Office of Student Development in 214 Dougherty Hall (519-4210) if you have any questions about this new and exciting opportunity for Villanova students.

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Current computer situation proves intolerable

The Bartley server crashed on Wednesday, which alone isn't big news. But this most recent mishap is indicative of a much larger problem, namely that computer availability on Villanova's campus is miserably erratic.

The Bartley lab is notorious for its long lines and Mendel's lab is littered with non-functioning equipment. In fact, during mid-term week, 16 computers had a major flaw, ranging from faulty disk drives to substantially more serious handicaps. We are told that 31 new pentiums, at the cost of $65,000, came in over break. Further, we are told that there are preliminary discussions concerning a new wing to Mendel's lab. These remedies may avoid a repeat of the mess that enveloped Mendel for most of the semester, but they do little to rectify the campus-wide problem.

More computers won't help the situation in Bartley; there simply isn't room. The opening of B-6 at certain times helps to relieve some of the stress, but more needs to be done. The expanded hours are appreciated, but the ultimate solution will involve more floor space. For this, maybe one of the basement classrooms could be converted. It seems as though, at any given time, there are several humanities classes being taught in Bartley, the *business* school. While it's true that not only business students use the computer facilities in Bartley, it seems as though business school students are forced to assume the cost of other disciplines.

However, UNIT indicated that the dorm connectivity options would greatly alleviate lab crowds. In theory, this is a wonderful solution, except when you take into account the fact that unreliable servers make dependence on the campus network unwise. Also, it seems as though access to the student server was made unnecessarily difficult this year.

All of these factors contribute to a situation that is unbearable in a day and age where a computer is as indispensable as a textbook. It is no longer enough for UNIT to simply tell us that they are understaffed. The student population was made many promises coming into this school year and, for whatever reason, the implementation has been unsatisfactory. And maybe the most annoying aspect is that these problems haven't become a top priority of the University. Instead, the faculty and students are left complaining to deaf ears.

We tell prospective students about our expansive student computer resources. Maybe we should balance that with the tales of dissatisfaction that have become increasingly common.

'Novan Poll

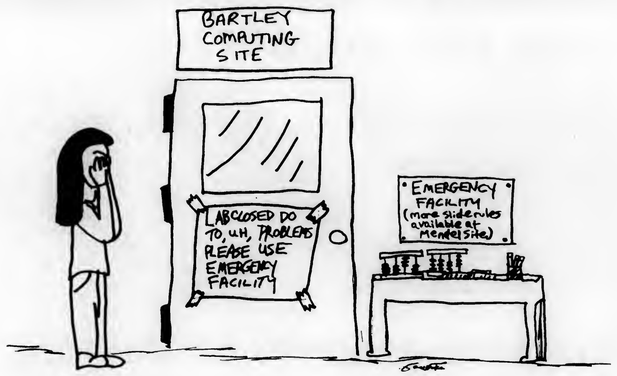
Have you encountered any difficulties with the campus network?

Is UNIT doing enough to solve these problems?

What can be done to decrease the crowds in computer labs?

Should quality computing resources be a priority of the University?

send responses to poll@villanovan.vill.edu



L E T T E R S

DSA leader fails to practice what he preaches

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Phil Mayer's letter that appeared in the Sept. 27 *Villanovan*. Mr. Mayer wrote to complain about and admonish the people who tore down posters he put up on behalf of the Democratic Socialists of America. I advise him to check his premises.

Mr. Mayer talks about how he payed for the posters with his own money, and spent a good deal of time putting them up. He, however, fails to recognize that by making this argument, he contradicts the very philosophy he espouses. In a socialist state, those posters and his money would belong to everyone, not Mr. Mayer. Additionally, the presence of the posters would only be for the public good and in this case the public obviously thought they were no good.

Mr. Mayer would be well advised to advocate private property and freedom, and then if someone tore down a poster of his he could challenge that act without violating his principles.

Scott D. Cosenza
Law School Class of '99

'Nova students should start acting their age

To the Editor:

I must admit that after four years here at Villanova University, I have never found a clause in the Blue Book that reads, "Respect of human beings, optional." I have searched for it the past few days and have come up empty. In fact, I know it doesn't exist and I am left to question the behavior of some of my fellow students.

On Oct. 10, there was a food fight in Donahue Hall on South Campus. I wasn't around that evening to witness this "feeding time at the zoo" but I did see the effects first hand. I went down to the new and improved Donahue Market around 12:30 a.m. to have a cup of coffee and study for my exams to find the floor covered with mashed potatoes, chicken wings and various other culinary specialities. I asked myself one question: Would I pick up food off of my plate in my home, squeeze it into a nice size ball, throw it across the table directly at my dad and then leave to let my mom clean it up? Let me think. . . No!

Unfortunately, that is not the unanimous answer among Villanova students. The last time I checked, college students were roughly 18 years of age and older. I think some students need a direct intravenous shot of respect. It's time to grow up.

I know, I know. . . it was just for fun, right? Regardless, I ask the students who are responsible (a tough word for some) to write a letter of apology to the Dining Services staff who work hard each and every day to provide food and quality service to over 3,600 on-campus residents. They have better things to do than clean up after your idea of a fun evening! Let's begin to see Villanova as our home and not simply as a place of occupancy for the next four years. Your residence hall is your home and the dining hall is your kitchen.

The incident in Donahue Hall prior to fall break triggered the thought of other questionable acts by Villanova students. Would you throw cigarette butts on the front door step of your home? I doubt it, but Facilities Management has to sweep the grounds in front of Katharine Hall each day to rid it of such trash when there is a garbage can with an ash tray ten feet away. Would you avoid the lock on the front door to your home by forcefully pulling it open because you are too lazy to take out your key? Probably not, yet both Katharine Hall and McGuire Hall have had their locks damaged as students force the door open because it's too much work to swipe their card through the reader. You know what, you probably have a better chance of throwing out your shoulder by tossing a corn muffin across the dining hall then you do by swiping your Wildcard through the reader. Yet you take that chance. . . right?

After four years here at Villanova, I have witnessed an incredible growth and improvement of the Dining Services on campus. They have taken the Villanova Quality Improvement initiative seriously by providing not only new facilities but new availability to the entire Villanova community. In the Sept. 27 issue of *The Villanovan*, Carolyn Hehir voiced her complaints towards the Dining Services.

I encourage people such as herself to broaden their mind as they examine this topic. Let's remember how far we have come as a community in the past few years. We need to remember the efforts of hundreds of people who serve our students effectively every day and not be so critical of quality improvements such as the Donahue Market and call them a crock.

Michael R. Petriella
Head Resident
Katharine Hall

Professor clears up dolphin/tuna facts

To the Editor:

In the last *Villanovan* (Oct. 4), a notice from VEG (Villanova Environmental Group) referred to laws about the tuna industry.

It seems important to correct an apparent factual error: no can of tuna contains dolphin meat. The "dolphin safe" label refers to tuna caught using methods that do not endanger dolphins and porpoises.

Laws now in place penalize companies that use other methods, such as purse seining without safeguards, that cause dolphin deaths. (For reasons that aren't clear, tuna frequently school under dolphin groups; an easy way to catch tuna is to encircle the dolphins with a net, trapping both dolphins and tuna.) Legislation now under consideration in Congress would loosen the existing restrictions and permit tuna caught by purse seining to carry the "dolphin safe" label, even though it is extremely difficult to catch tuna this way without killing some dolphins (by drowning).

Alternative methods, such as longlining using baited hooks, are safer to dolphins, but these can cause deaths of other non-target species, such as albatrosses and related seabirds, as well as "bycatch" (fish species with no commercial value, which are simply discarded). National environmental groups are split on this issue.

Robert L. Curry
Assistant Professor of Biology

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Disturbing trends could taint upcoming elections

By JOE PATTERSON

With the annual basketball preview supplanting the regular weekly issue of *The Villanovan* next Friday, today's paper marks the final opportunity for pre-election discussion.

The nation will decide between Bill Clinton and Bob Dole, and despite the media's portrayal, the decision hasn't already been made. Not only should the race tighten, but tales of an underdog knocking off an incumbent politician pepper the annals of political history. And if nothing else has become evident over the course of his life, Bob Dole should never be declared dead before his time.

The Patterson Perspective

I have my reservations about some of Dole's political views and habits. Nevertheless, he has won my vote, and it isn't simply by default.

The two futures that are painted by the respective candidates are vividly different, despite the blurring that goes on as they pander to the same swing voters. But as important as the issues of taxes and government programs are, it seems as though this election serves as a referendum on the voters. It seems that the America voter is developing a new set of priorities.

A common criticism of Clinton has been that he caters to the "polls" and that his views will be as inconsistent as the latest poll dictates. But apparently, this is exactly what the American people want. This modern form of "mob rule" was a major concern of the framers and, indeed, molded one of the strongest arguments against our form of democracy. A good president used to be one that could lead, now it is one that can follow, even at the expense of his honesty.

The American people have created a new type of presidency in which the traditional moral expectations for the nation's highest civil servant have all but vanished.

Past presidents have had their moral shortcomings, but none has flaunted them the way the current president does. Past presidents have been vilified for breaking their pledges while today's candidates will be vilified for merely pointing out these broken promises. Indeed, merely stating facts about your opponent can now get you labelled as a man predisposed to insults.

Never before would a draft-dodger be viewed in higher esteem than a crippled war hero. And never before would this draft-dodger be able to claim "active duty status" to avoid a sexual harassment charge (as Clinton did) without being held responsible for desecrating the very principle of military service.

Of course, Bob Dole was criticized for saying, "Get that Bozo out of the White House." In a sense, Dole unfairly impugned a man's reputation.

As far as I know, Bozo doesn't lie or steal FBI files. Bozo certainly doesn't answer to Indonesian campaign contributors and, as far as I can tell, Bozo likes children and probably wouldn't agree that partial-birth abortions are a morally acceptable procedure.

It seems as though America should have learned its lesson. In 1972, the incumbent won reelection with the shadow of a scandal creeping over him. Indeed, Richard Nixon hid behind executive privilege in much the same way as Clinton does.

Will there be more revelations in the murky Whitewater situation, or will Clinton's imprisoned partners keep quite with the hope of presidential pardons? Will the same women's groups that attacked Clarence Thomas remain quiet as Paula Jones continues to be denied her time in court?

And what about those FBI files? The investigation has been stonewalled by the "misplacement" of six months of file logs. Six months of conveniently disappearing evidence certainly can be as damning as 18 minutes of lost tape. And the mere quantity of files (numbering in the thousands) certainly forms a longer roll than Nixon's infamous enemies list.

But the American people aren't shocked, just as they aren't shocked that the same man who said he "loathed" the military would send US troops on a record number of deployments around the world. Nor are they concerned when the architect of a socialistic health plan that would have put one-seventh of the economy under the government's control talks about downsizing government. Indeed, his constant revisions earn him tremendous political latitude rather than the deserving skepticism.

Maybe the American people really don't care. In a democracy, you tend to get the leaders you deserve. America would survive another four years with Clinton, but what would his reelection say about the voters?

Rome is dangerously close to becoming another McCity

By ANN GAVAGHAN

If my column seems rather disjointed this week, it's due to the fact that I'm similarly discombobulated. Fall break threw me for a loop and I still haven't landed. I spent the week being awed and humbled by the wonders of Rome. Frankly, I really don't want to be back here at all. Sure, I was almost killed by crazy moped drivers, but somehow, being run over in Rome has infinitely more cachet than being run over in Philadelphia (which could do with an influx of Vespas).

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The weirdest thing about Rome, aside from the propensity of Italian women to wear fishnet stockings to the Vatican, was how much it felt like home. Sure, the language was different, but it was easy to get by. Almost everyone knew English (unlike the United States, where people are monolingual save their few years of high school French, German, or Spanish).

The cuisine also wasn't that different from what might be served in an American-style Italian restaurant. It was, however, a whole lot better. I could delude myself into supposing that the reason I was so comfortable is my cosmopolitan flair and sophistication, like every member of the jet set. However, Italy probably felt so much like home because it has adopted so much of American culture. Or maybe American culture has forced its way into Rome. The global village so celebrated in the 1990s is not really a global village, but other nations attempting to copy us.

When was the last time most people saw an Italian film? Though everyone has heard of "Il Postino" (perhaps better known by the English translation "The Postman"), it was hardly released in any mall megaplex. Yet in the land of Fellini, ads were up all over the place for The Fan, Eraser, and Striptease—dubbed in Italian, but playing nonetheless. The same phenomenon was apparent on television. The first time turned it on, I caught an Italian talk show where some singer was belting out the Italian version of the classic rock song, "Knock on Wood" (though the chorus was kept in English). Italians can appear on their own version of The Price Is Right—big wheel and all. Even though it was an American knockoff, it was still more Italian than the dubbed versions of American shows. Personally, I think Italy has gotten the raw end of the deal. They give us Roman culture, the Renaissance, and fabulous food, and in return, we give them Beverly Hills 90210. (On the slim chance that some native Italians are reading this, I would like to apologize. Really. We can't stand Brenda either.)

The scary thing is that people from other nations form their view of the United States based upon these images. My friends and I were taken to a bar in Rome by two Italian guys, who hope to move to New York next year. Both of them have been to more places in the United States than any of us natives. The bar was called Airport; its exterior mimicked parts of an actual airport, like check in, metal detectors, etc. All of the signs were in English. Television monitors played German MTV, which was not only playing solely American music (imagine hearing G. Love in Rome!), but was also having its VJ broadcast from various places in the States. Most of the drinks on the menu were American (I had a non-alcoholic strawberry daiquiri, thank you very much!). Fries were served along with the sandwiches. A replica of the Statue of Liberty stood at one corner of the dance floor. Even our conversation reflected the American influence. I was telling one Italian that I had seen the Pope that day. He shrugged his shoulders and told me that he had seen Prince in concert. Is this what American culture has to offer—the equalization of the head of the Roman Catholic Church to the man who gave us "Purple Rain?"

Don't get me wrong-just because I don't have an American flag over my column doesn't mean I don't love the United States. There are many aspects of American culture that I believe should be shared with a worldwide audience. However, with the current state of the global village, none of us get to choose what aspects of America are broadcast to the world. In doing so the international community loses a chance to truly learn about the United States. They come away thinking that our popular culture, which makes us younger, prettier, and thinner than we actually are, IS the United States. Little do they know about our social problems, or our underground cultures, or the day-to-day realities of most Americans. At the same time, we can blame ourselves for being lazy. Americans allow too much of our culture to be exported, and not enough of the flavor of other nations to be imported. We must break our habit of clinging to the familiar, of sending our McDonalds and Gaps and Michael Jacksons to foreign nations so that they can become more like us. Otherwise, what's the point of even traveling abroad? It's well near impossible to learn from another culture if that culture has been sanitized, bowdlerized, and purified to meet U.S. standards. I'm just glad I was able to travel abroad when I did, and witness some aspects of Roman culture before technology, money, and American domination have sapped them of their individuality. Of course, by that time, I'll probably be able to forgo the eight hour plane ride and see the replicas of ancient ruins in Disneyworld.

New strategies may quell voting anxiety

By MARC ANGELACCIO

There is only a little over a week left until the big event. No, I'm not talking about the start of the college basketball season. In a mere 11 days we will make the decision, pull the lever and elect our next president.

Since this is the last column I will write before the election (the Villanovan's College Basketball Preview is next week's issue, if you haven't yet seen the advertising), I felt that I would use it to tell you who I am voting for and why I am voting for him, maybe even persuading you to vote along with me. However, there is one major problem: I don't know for whom I am going to vote.

Nothing in this boring race for the presidency has gained my attention. There is no decisive issue that will make me vote for one candidate over the other. Neither candidate has caught my eye, nor has either candidate repulsed me enough to vote for his opponent.

Yet, I am quite worried about my indecisiveness. I don't want to blindly pull the lever. I need some reason to vote for whom I am voting. I need some justification for my decision. Otherwise I wouldn't be making the best choice for me; I would only be making a choice.

This is why I created some determining factors, which I have thought about for a long time, that fall outside the normal ho-hum political and character issues that we normally see in elections, to help me decide for whom to vote. I found some positive checks, overlooked by most political gurus, that each candidate has. First, here are the positive factors Bob Dole could bring to the presidency:

1. Dole could bring the Dodgers back to Brooklyn.
2. Dogs make better pets than cats, thus, the Doles' dog, Leader, makes a better White House pet than the Clintons' cat, Socks.
3. Jack Kemp is a super-cool ex-jock; Al Gore is a super-lame dork.
4. Dole would supply Metamucil to everyone.
5. We would finally have a First Lady with the nickname Libby.

Don't forget, however, the positive points that Bill Clinton could supply if he were re-elected:

1. McDonald's would still be served at official state dinners.
2. Hemp would still be grown in the White House rose garden.
3. Chelsea is a bona fide babe.
4. The razorback will remain the official White House mascot; Pig Sooiey the official White House slogan.
5. We would still see Clinton's pasty white thighs during his weekend jogs with the press. Undoubtedly, these factors for each candidate cancel each other out. So even with these factors to choose from, I'm still not sure who will receive my vote. I am left back at square one.

On the Marc

I thought about not voting and letting the rest of America decide for me, but then I wouldn't be carrying out my democratic duty as an American. Plus, I would feel as if I were cheating myself. I couldn't take credit for our president's future successes or failures.

Maybe what I need is some inspiration. I could pray, but what does God know about politics? I could let the Fates play a role in my decision by going into the polling booth with my eyes closed and pulling the first lever I feel, but then I wouldn't know for whom I voted. What fun would that be?

I know what it is. Maybe I'm just afraid to vote. This will be my first presidential election, and I want to make the "right" choice. Needless to say, the pressure is on. Plus, I'm indecisive by nature, as you could probably tell if you ever read this column before.

For this reason alone, I should just accept my indecisiveness and live with it. I should just accept the fact that more likely than not, like many people across America, I won't figure out for whom I am voting until I actually pull the lever. But until then, I'm going to rely upon eeny-meeny-miney-mo.

Next week's issue of *The Villanovan* will be the annual basketball preview which provides comprehensive coverage of Wildcat hoops.

Free trade needed to achieve world peace

By JIM DELANEY

Before Fall break, I gave an alternative to Barlett's and Steele's Philadelphia Inquirer series that calls for tariffs on imports, and I explained why free trade pays off. Just in case there are any remaining insomniacs after my last article, I offer as a cure this week: what's wrong with high tariffs and what's fast becoming the ultimate solution, whether we realize it or not.

After initially refusing, Dwight Eisenhower was persuaded to run for President in 1951 by a group of Republicans who convinced him he was the only hope against the other leading Republican's isolationist vision. Eisenhower eventually accepted out of his sense of duty to prevent the country from slipping back into isolationism. From the lessons of World War II, Eisenhower saw the need for the U.S. to remain connected internationally. The U.S. has stayed a steady course in promoting free trade whether it be under the guidance of George Bush or Lyndon Johnson.

The worst the U.S. could do is use Barlett's and Steele's emotionally charged reporting as a basis for protectionist trade policies. Raising U.S. tariffs on imports would signal that the champion of open markets is reverting back to isolationism. Other countries would respond with higher tariffs of their own, and a prolonged trade war would be ignited. It would take a decade to just return to the level of free trade we are at now.

Ironically, high tariffs on imports indirectly hurt a U.S. manufacturing laborer. If, for example, the U.S. government increased tariffs on Japanese cars, the costs of production for Japanese manufacturers would increase, and the Japanese would decrease their imports to the U.S. Prices would rise on scarce Japanese cars. There would be an increased demand for substituted U.S. cars which increases their price, and U.S. manufacturers would increase production. The end result for the common man is an increase in price on all cars involved in the trade war. While high tariffs may employ more U.S. auto workers for a time, overall this reduces the purchasing power of the average U.S. wage earner's salary. Thus, the middle class buys less with the same income.

The trade deficit is divided into two parts: the exchange of goods and the exchange of services. In the services trade with other countries, we actually have a trade surplus, exporting 72.8 billion more in the second quarter of 1996 than we imported. The trade imbalance is caused by a larger goods deficit of 194 billion that offsets any positives from services and makes the total negative. The question is how to reduce the goods deficit.

It would seem logical that exports should be allowed to increase as countries open their markets to our goods. In the future, exports will eventually be larger than imports in a trade surplus. However, Barlett and Steele have an unhealthy obsession with raising U.S. tariffs to decrease imports and balance trade. By limiting imports, the trade deficit could technically be balanced, but exports would also be restricted in a trade war. Trade may be balanced, but it would require a decrease in output of current exporting companies- eliminating both service and manufacturing jobs in exporting.

In the Global Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) that the U.S. has signed on to, a World Trade Organization (WTO) would be created that functions like the United Nations but promotes free trade. Nations belonging to the WTO are able to put their collective pressure on countries with high tariffs to open markets. This process would lower barriers to key emerging markets such as China's huge population and 9.5 percent GDP growth. In the final analysis, the vast, untapped markets of China alone could increase U.S. exports enough so that the U.S. goods deficit is balanced.

At the end of many centuries of war and destruction, a new millennium approaches, and we begin anew in four years. Our last best chance for an enduring world peace is with the international linkages of free trade. As a type of alliance network that extends to all nations, free trade ensures peace out of self-interest, for international trading partners cannot afford to go to war against each other.

Although Eisenhower's most famous contribution as President might be his golf spike marks in the Oval Office, Ike was right on the United States' remaining part of the world's interactions.

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Black male athletes shirk responsibility

To the Editor:

After six months of researching the history of African-American success at Villanova University, a change in the nature of the black Villanovan community has become obvious.

The African-American male athlete is no longer concerned, active, or involved with the rest of the African-American Villanovan community. On the contrary, most of the black male athletes at Villanova seem determined to ignore and avoid other black Villanovans. It wasn't always this way, and I wonder why this has changed.

In 1969, Jim McIntosh, star player for the men's basketball team was named "Villanovan of the Year" by *The Villanovan* because he was so involved with the formation of the Black Student League (BSL). Hardge Davis, star performer for the Men's Track team was the first president of the Black Student League in 1969. These men (and others such as Lamotte Hyman, Bob Gibson and Steve Francis) balanced their involvement in collegiate athletics with their commitment to the black community at Villanova. As a result, 1969 was arguably the most activist year for the black Villanovan community. 1969 black Villanovan successes include the formation of the Black Student League, the publication of the Black Wildcat, the dedication of an issue of the Villanova Alumni Magazine to African-American alums, the naming of an African-American as "Villanovan of the Year," and the appearances of two Black celebrities (Leon Higginbotham and Dick Gregory) to speak on campus.

Furthermore, George Raveling (the first African-American to be named captain of the basketball team) served as a recruiting specialist for the basketball team and provided the funding for the Black Wildcat out of his own pocket! Track star Eddie Collymore returned in 1970 as an assistant in the Office of Social Programs and continues to serve the University in the Office of Multicultural Affairs as Dr. Edward Collymore. Where has the black male athlete's dedication to the black community gone?

Apparently, after the men's basketball team won the National Championship in 1985, many black male athletes discovered that they were "celebrities" who didn't need to associate with the other black students. Certainly, this happened in some instances before the 1985 Championship, but, after that win, it has almost become a universal rule. When is the last time an African-American male Villanova athlete held a prominent leadership position on campus? When was the last time an African-American male Villanova athlete was an active member in the Black Cultural Society? When was the last time an African-American male Villanova athlete attended a BCS function that was not a party? How many African-American male athletes have graduated with minors or concentrations in Africana Studies since the program was initiated in 1994?

Men like Raveling, Collymore, McIntosh and Davis would have given anything to have the cultural programming and academic support that current African-American athletes have. In their days, black male athletes were often the *only* African-Americans on campus at all. Why do the present African-American athletes isolate themselves from the black Villanova community from their first days here onward?

I understand that all of these athletes are very busy and that they must maintain certain GPAs to remain eligible for NCAA competition. However, I also know how many times these black male athletes have thrown parties on campus and not allowed any other black students to attend. I know that none of the African-American male athletes hold current paid memberships in the Black Cultural Society. Furthermore, the only black athletes that come to the Black Cultural Society Awards Luncheon are the ones receiving the "Athlete of the Year" awards—their teammates don't even show up to support them!

I also clearly remember a member of the basketball team saying that the Student Government elections did not have anything to do with him, so why should he vote? He was unaware of the fact that two African-Americans were running for office in his college and that his vote could have helped them win.

The black athletes at University of North Carolina came together with the other African-American students by stating that they would not play any sports until construction began for an on-campus cultural center. Villanova's black athletes could exercise similar power, yet they remain content to ignore the struggles of their fellow African-Americans.

The current black male athletes also continue to insult the tradition of involvement and activism that black athletes built at Villanova. For 15 years now, African-American athletes have thought that they were better than every other Black student at the University— just because someone pays to watch them dribble, carry or dunk a ball. They have disrespected the male non-athlete students and all of the female students by ignoring them, by not helping them through this university. They listen to University officials who tell them to just "stay eligible and graduate." Their coaches don't encourage them to become involved with organizations like the Black Cultural Society. These athletes take the BCS's official support and attendance at their athletic venues for granted. And what is their reward for such arrogance and self-service?

Well, many African-American male Villanova athletes end up as bouncers in a local tavern, struggle for a teaching job somewhere in the Philadelphia area, or return home to spend their days polishing their college trophies and medals. Arguably the best men's basketball player in the history of Villanova did not support the black community during a time of peak black activism on campus. Today, that former Villanova athlete is a bus driver in the Midwest. Perhaps, if he had made better connections with other African-Americans as an undergraduate, he would not have lost so much when his athletic career did not work out. In the last five years, how many African-American athletes have been drafted and/or performed successfully at the next level of athletics? Three—Willie Oshodin, Curtis Eller, and Kerry Kittles. How many African-American athletes have been through the university in that time? Approximately 100. The other 97 have been reminded that, once their collegiate athletic careers are over, *they are still black*.

I just wonder why they don't realize this in college, and participate more in the Black Villanova community. The community is here. They don't have to re-found the Black Cultural Society. They don't have to fight to get an Africana Studies Program. They don't need to argue the merits of an Office of Multicultural Affairs. Those things are already here. What they do need to do is participate in these organizations, and help make the black Villanova community grow. Over the last 15 years, with only one exception, I have seen the black male athletes do nothing except denigrate, deny, ignore and embarrass the black Villanova community. In the spirit of the Million Man March, I think it is time for that to change. So, black male athletes, as this year continues, do you stand up and represent like men? Or do you continue to betray your legacy and community like snakes and wolves?

David Greason
Class of 1995

Louis Manon
Class of 1997

Student sticks up for Dining Services

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Carolyn Hehir's article a couple of weeks before fall break involving Villanova's dining services. I want to commend Will Seppi for supporting Villanova's dining services. He realizes the outstanding progress dining services has made in the last four years.

I have learned, especially in college, one has to be respectful of opinions, but Carolyn Hehir's perspective is one not knowledgeable enough to be taken seriously. Instead of bashing dining services, why not support them? This may include proposing new ideas at a student government or dining services meeting. In my opinion, they go out of their way to support the student body. This complaining, pessimistic arrogance gets us nowhere. Carolyn and those who think the same way start giving constructive arguments! Then, and only then, will we be able to attack a problem efficiently and effectively.

In response to Carolyn's question regarding why the dining halls need to close between breakfast, lunch and dinner, common sense would tell you that it serves two purposes. First, the cafeterias have a chance to clean up after those students who leave the cafeteria dirty. Who wants to eat in a dirty establishment? Second, dining services needs time to prepare the food. I have seen many other schools' dining services and the quality of our meals is far superior to most. In fact, Donahue cafeteria is as good a facility as you will find. Now, I agree that Dougherty needs to be renovated and revamped, but unless you have a few million dollars to donate you should not be complaining. Personally, I am more interested in Villanova improving the quality of its education than making this school's dining services into a four star restaurant service.

To conclude, I want to say to Carolyn Hehir: "Get a clue!" The opening of Donahue Market and bringing of two photocopiers to south campus as well as a MAC machine exhibits excellent progress. These additions to the University are not a "crock" as Carolyn said but a "crutch" for the continued support of the student body's demands. As a sophomore, you do not know what Villanova's dining services was like four years ago. If you have the time to write a lengthy, ambiguous letter to the editor, invest that time through your student government connections for the continued improvement of something we should be proud of, Villanova University.

Douglas J. Dieter
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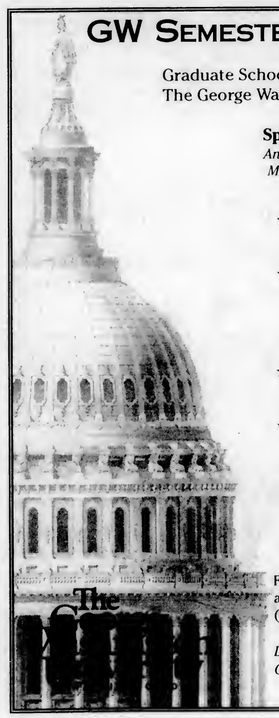

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Athlete escort training meetings will take place on Monday, Oct. 28 at 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 30 at 8:30 p.m. You must attend one of the nights. If you have not signed up it is not too late to volunteer. Stop by the Special Olympics office in Dougherty Hall for more information and to fill out a form.

Journalist Lecture

Kitty Caparella, reporter for the Philadelphia Daily News will speak on "The Life of a Journalist." She will speak on Monday, Oct. 28 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. in the Writing Center (Old Falvey, Dalton Room). She will speak about her experiences and discuss academic preparation for a career in journalism, getting a job, and the writing process from reporting to print. Questions from students are welcome.

Oct. 29

Blue Key Meeting

Informational meetings for the Blue Key Society will be held on Oct. 29 at 9 p.m. in the Day Hop and Oct. 30 at 9 p.m. in the Cinema. Come find out what we're all about! We look forward to seeing you there.

Learn to Save a Life

Villanova Emergency Medical Service (VEMS) will sponsor a CPR course on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. In less than three short hours, you could learn to save a life. To register, stop by the St. Clare House (Public Safety) Monday - Friday 8 a.m - 4 p.m. The course will be limited to 25 people. The cost is $15 per person.

Gay/Lesbian Support Meeting

The Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Support Group will meet on Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. For more information please call x 96000 and access mailbox number 85443.

Villanova Ski & Snowboard Club

The Ski & Snowboard Club is having a meeting to collect deposits for the Killington and Jackson Hole trips on Oct. 29 at 7:45 p.m. in the Bryn Mawr room of Connelly Center. All are welcome.

Adopt-A-School

There will be a brief meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 9:15 in the Bryn Mawr room in Connelly Center for all those who wish to take part or sign up for the Adopt-A-School program.

Oct. 30

Halloween Party

There will be a Panhell/IFC Halloween Party in the Villanova Room in Connelly at 7 p.m. All children of Faculty and Administration are welcome!

Immigration Debate

On Wednesday, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m. the Democratic Socialists of America will sponsor a debate on whether or not immigration should be limited. College Democrats, College Republicans, Political Awareness League and DSA have been invited to participate. This debate will be held in the Physics Lecture Hall in Mendel. For more information please call Phil Mayer at x 96000 then mailbox 75656.

Nursing Lecture

On Oct. 30, Ms. Rosemarie Matheus, Director of the Parish Nursing Institute, College of Nursing, Marquette University will discuss "Nurturing the Spirit in Health and Illness.: this event is co-sponsored by Campus Ministry. The public is invited at no cost. The program is at 7:30 p.m. in the Connelly Center. Call 519-4900 for more information.

Oct. 31

Business Marketing Association

Halloween is here and for all those in communications having nightmares about their futures it could be a scary one. Don't let these dreams haunt you! Instead, trick or treat your way over to the Bryn Mawr Room 12:45 p.m. this Halloween. While you feast on free pizza and soda you will learn how the Business Marketing Association (BMA) can give you an advantage when you are looking for internships and jobs through education and networking. See you at Halloween!

Japan Exchange & Teaching

Representatives from Consulate General of Japan in New York will give a JET(Japan Exchange& Teaching Program) information workshop on Thursday, Oct. 31 in Tolentine 206 from 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call x 96953.

Nov. 1

Homecoming '96

Villanova's Homecoming '96 will start on Nov. 1 at 8 p.m. in the Du Pont Pavilion with WILDCAT ROAR. The fun is sure to continue on Nov. 2 with the WILDCAT KICKOFF! A Q-Crew will be down South hosting this awesome event from 11 a/m/ until 1 p.m., including free food, music and giveaways. Up on main campus, in the quad and Connelly Plaza there will be a SNOW EXPO like no other, including food, fun, stunts and virtual reality. The best is last, however, when at 1 p.m. Villanova faces off against Rhode Island to show them what we're really made of. Go Cats!

Nursing Lecture

Distinguished Lecturer in Nursing, Dr. Rhetaugh Dumas, will present, "Valuing Our Heritage: Our Professional Mission." The lecture will be given on Friday, Nov. 1 in the Villanova Room at 7:30 p.m. for more information call x 94900.

Nov. 7

"Pippin" Performance

Villanova Student Musical Theatre will be performing the musical "Pippin" on Nov. 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 at St. Mary's Auditorium at 8 p.m. For more information or questions call x 97217.

Nov. 13 - 23

Nursing Lectures

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Life After Graduation" by Bonnie Jackson, M.Ed from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Financial Planning and Budgeting for Graduate Students" by Christina hack, CPA and Susan Collins, CPA from Coopers and Lybrand on Nov. 20 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Strategies for Promoting Self-Confidence" by Dr. Linda Copel on Nov. 21 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

ECE Day

The ECE Advisory Committee cordially invites you to the 10th annual Electrical and Computer Engineering Day on Saturday, Nov. 23. Registration starts at 9 a.m. and the main program begins at 9:30 a.m. with a break for lunch at 12:5 p.m. This event focuses on technologies in our industry and on the contributions of Villanova University Electrical Engineering alumni to those technologies. Additionally, this event focuses on reuniting alumni and introducing future graduates to a variety of topics in industry. If you plan to attend or would like additional information, please call Helen Cook at (610) 519-4970.

MISC.

Work in Germany

Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as English Assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions by contacting Dr. Rodger Van Allen of the theology and religious studies department at 519-4766. Some knowledge of German is required of the assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with the students. The assistant must be creative in conducting discussion groups, organizing sports and games, conversing about life in the U.S. and assisting the students individually with homework. Applications must be completed by Dec. 15. Three graduates of Villanova are currently serving as English Assistants in the boarding schools which are conducted by the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart in the southwestern region of the country. For more info. Call 519-4766.,,

SNAP Flip Top Drive

The Student Nurses Association of PA at Villanova (SNAP) requests help from the entire Villanova community. Aluminum flip top soda pop tabs have significant value in the recycling industry and can provide some income for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. Save ALUMINUM FLIP TOP TABS to help the children at the Ronald McDonald House. Please call SNAP at 519-7317 and a SNAP member will pick them up. The drive will be until Monday, Nov. 25. Thank you.

Alice Mulhearn Scholarship

The Alice Mulhearn Scholarship has been established to provide assistance to children of Villanova alumni with demonstrated financial need. Applicants must be full-time, undergraduates who are maintaining a GPA of 3.50 or better and currently enrolled in a program leading to a bachelor's degree. Applications may be obtained from the Office of Financial Assistance and returned there by Oct. 28. The scholarship will be awarded for the 1996-97 academic year, but may be renewed for subsequent years, providing the recipient continues to meet eligibility and the availability of funds. The number of awards and the amounts will be determined by availability of funds and qualifications of applicants.

Christian Leader Retreat

A one day retreat on Christian leadership will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26. Students will get a chance to reflect on their own skills and limitations as leaders, to envision the future of the programs they are involved in, and to set concrete plans to reach their desired goals.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on a team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

HEC Retreat

Students, faculty, staff and neighbors are welcomed and needed to work on the upcoming HEC retreat (Handicapped Encounter Christ) sponsored by Campus Ministry. HEC is an unique and exciting experience which brings together physically disabled and non-disabled persons to share each others' lives in an atmosphere of Christian community. The retreat will take place on the weekend of Nov. 16 - 18 ending around 2 p.m. on Sunday. For further information, drop by Campus Ministry during the day or call 519-4080.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas. There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form. The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries such as India, Africa, South and Central America. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. Thank you.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

Master Schedule WWW Info

The Spring 1997 Master Schedule is available on the World Wide Web, under the home page of the Office of the Registrar, at the following address: http://www.vill.edu/webview/schedule.html

Exam Schedule WWW Info.

The Fall 1996 Undergraduate Final Exam Schedule is posted on bulletin boards across campus including outside of Tolentine 202, Office of the Registrar. It is also available on the World Wide Web, under the home page of the Office of the Registrar: http://www.vill.edu:80/admin/registra/homepage.html

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Sunday League	Record	Points For	Points Against	Diff.
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L.D B	2-2	101	106	-5
House of 96	2-2	91	87	+4
McGuire's Rubber Necks	2-2	79	137	-58
Katharine Crushers	1-3	78	145	-67
The Marauders	1-3	64	117	-53
Monday League				
APD	4-0	125	67	+58
Silver Bullets	2-2	72	84	-12
MacDaddyz	1-3	75	75	0
Fab Frosh	1-3	69	115	-46
The Program	3-1	140	54	+86
Dog Pile	3-1	64	32	+32
NROTC "A"	2-2	86	102	-16
Minerva's Raiders	0-4	30	138	-108
Tuesday League				
Green Hornets	2-0	85	24	+61
I.L.C.S.	2-0	76	31	+45
Rage	2-0	67	0	+67
Pi Kappa	0-2	25	46	-21
Wild Frosh	0-2	18	82	-64
100 Proof	0-2	12	110	-98
Morning Missiles	2-0	68	19	+49
After Shock	2-0	54	19	+35
The Colts	1-1	46	34	+12
Hard Corr	1-1	7	32	-25
ATO	0-2	18	69	-51
Pull Creature	0-2	13	33	-20

Wednesday League	Record	Points For	Points Against	Diff.
Lambda Chi Alpha 1	2-0	70	26	+44
Pikes	2-0	26	6	+20
New Revolution	1-1	46	52	-6
Lambda Chi Alpha 2	1-1	44	51	-7
The Black Knights	0-2	44	58	-14
Beta Theta Pi	0-2	0	37	-37
Dirty Dozen	2-0	35	20	+15
Team Pimp	1-1	66	44	+22
Law	1-1	40	53	-13
Moriarity	0-2	24	48	+24
Thursday League				
Quick Change	2-0	95	32	+63
Thundering Herd	2-0	70	20	+50
The Legends	1-1	50	60	-10
Flat Heads	1-1	21	54	-33
Sigma Pi	0-2	55	83	-28
Fightin' Squirrels	0-2	12	54	-42
JB's	2-0	45	32	+13
Shots in Your Face	1-1	49	38	+11
Hard Corr Killers	1-1	31	47	-16
Flag Brigade	0-2	30	38	-8
Coed:				
Hurricane Fran	2-0	34	14	+20
Guys and Dolls	1-1	26	34	-8
Too Easy	1-1	6	6	0
Sullivan-Sheehan	0-2	6	18	-12

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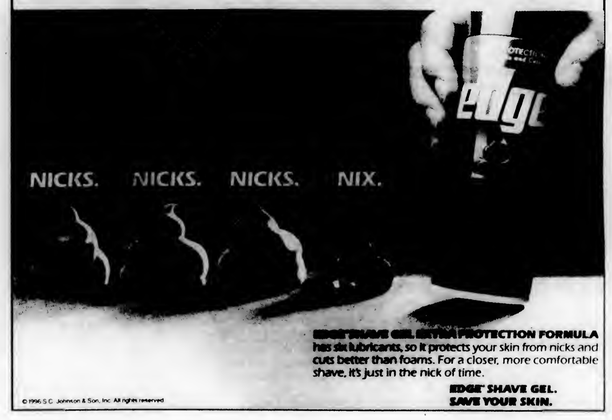

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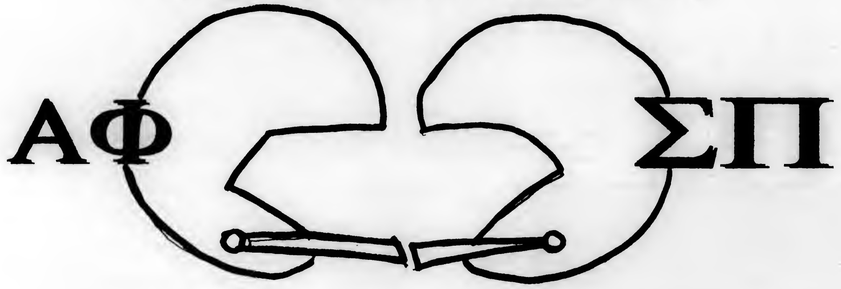

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F E A T U R E S

Election Day briefs outlined for the uninformed voter

By SAMANTHA WATERS
Assistant Features Editor

With Election Day this Tuesday, the presidential candidates and their individual platforms are now the focal points of attention in the United States. And, for those of you that are still unsure of where to go to vote and whether to make the vote for Bill Clinton, Bob Dole or Ross Perot, this article and Villanova's Political Awareness League could make the difference.

Democratic Party

Striving for another year in term is 50-year-old President Bill Clinton and 48-year- old Vice President Al Gore. The Clinton-Gore platform stresses not only what needs to be accomplished if reelected such as the first balanced budget in 17 years, but it also reiterates what has been achieved since inaugurated in January 1992.

In that time, Clinton has made cutbacks in crime and drug use, illegal immigrants, government spending, pollution, domestic violence and unemployment. He introduced a higher minimum wage and median family income, a greater production of exports, a more accessible political system and increased funding to schools for a more affordable and safer education.

Moreover, Clinton proposed the toughest and smartest crime bill ever. 100,000 additional police officers were placed on the streets with funds for 100,000 prison cells to decrease murder cases by 8 percent in 1995.

What's more, Clinton ensured 10 million new jobs in under four years and is now proposing $2,600 for a jobs voucher program to train unemployed workers for a job that is right for them.

In an effort to reach his seven-year plan to balance the budget, Clinton made way for an added $58 billion by eliminating 16,000 pages of unnecessary government regulations.

Clinton's platform is determined to achieve all that has already been fulfilled and more. The strength of his strategy focuses on increased opportunities in education, economic security, more strongly bonded families and greater American leadership.

Republican Party

Riding on the Republican ticket is 73-year-old Bob Dole from Kansas and his running mate, 61-year-old Jack Kemp. With 35 years of congressional experience behind him, Dole is dedicated to patching up any of Clinton's broken promises such as a middle class tax cut and great economic growth. Dole proposes vast changes in the country's social conditions, national debt and tremendous tax cuts.

The Dole-Kemp tax cut will reduce rates by 15 percent across-the-board and give an additional $500 per child tax credit while balancing the budget by 2002. This, the administration promises, will restore money and power to the real engine of the American economy- -the American people.

Dole assures a renewed commitment in the War on Drugs with a strong drug czar and the moral leadership to protect all children. As a congressional leader, Dole has always been a strong proponent for protecting the environment by passing every major piece of protection legislation such as the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Clean Air Act.

Dole pledges to balance the budget with lower interest rates and an annual growth rate of 3.5 percent per year which will consequently double the real income of the average American citizen.

This Republican committee recognizes the current epidemic of violence that prevails our society and promises to renew our commitment to a drug-free America, to ensure that violent criminals stay locked up for full sentences, hold violent juveniles accountable for their actions and make federal prisoners work no less than 40 hours a week.

Furthermore, Dole hopes to establish a National Instant Check System to keep criminals and others from purchasing firearms. With Dole as president, America is promised to be a nation of equal opportunity that is deficit and drug-free where Americans experience higher wages and incomes in a clean and safer environment.

Reform Party

Nominated to illustrate the Reform Party platform is 66-year-old Texan multi-billion dollar corporation entrepreneur, Ross Perot.

Perot guarantees a detailed blueprint to a balanced budget by eliminating the practice of keeping some programs off-budget and passing the Balanced Budget Amendment.

Perot plans to create standards for the White House and Congress with the removal of gifts and free meals and to pass laws without rules, but rather penalties. He also wishes to see Congress and the White House having the same retirement and healthcare plans as the average citizens.

Perot hopes to instill a fair tax system that is paperless and will raise enough money to pay the bills.

Perot himself is experienced in dealing with the problem of the use of illegal drugs when in 1979, the governor of Texas requested Perot's assistance to lead the Texans' War on Drugs Committee which continued to make Texas the least desirable state for illegal drug operations.

Perot knows how to identify a growing problem, challenge and attack it, and infuse provisions to stunt its growth.

Perot, having been the recipient of numerous awards and honors including the Winston Churchill Award and Raoul Wallenberg Award, has proven to be a headstrong candidate and promises to carry it over into the White House if elected President.

A Student Perspective

However, although president of Villanova's non-partisan political awareness group, Kevin Klesh recognizes the struggle for Perot, especially in these few remaining days. "Having only received 20 percent of the votes last election, it looks as if Perot will be lucky to even take half of that this year."

Although Perot may not be a favorite among American voters, Klesh regrets his absence in the debates and wishes that he could have contributed to the affair. "The general consensus is that the debates focused well on all issues, yet I would have liked to see a third party present in at least the second debate, which tends to be more informal anyhow," Klesh said.

This, he argues, would have presented a better opportunity for further issues to arise. For example, Klesh points out the question of the NAFTA treaty and fundamentally, both Clinton and Gore are in favor of this treaty, therefore there was no rebuttal or disagreement presented on either side and the topic was passed along.

"If Perot would have been present, he would have questioned NAFTA's actual success and the public would become more enlightened about its efforts and results."

In addition, Klesh acknowledges the "fighting uphill battle that Dole is contending with during his campaign, that being because one of his opponents is up for reelection during a good economic time."

Historically, Klesh continued, "and from the objective standpoint, Clinton has a lot in his favor that may tend to sway a vote in his favor just because he is currently in office and the economy is good."

Becoming Involved

Klesh recommends that the student body becomes more informed about each of the candidates and votes for the individual that they believe will get the job done and defend their own believes.

"Here on campus, students are genuinely interested and I do not appreciate it when Villanova is labeled incognizant in political awareness." Still, Klesh does wish that there was more done to inform the public on campus and nationwide and invites everyone to use the world wide web:

Clinton www.whithouse.gov/
Gore www dole96.com
Perot www.uwsa.com:8972/uwsa/

For those who are registered off-campus, an absentee ballot must have received from your hometown county executive office and postmarked no later than Tuesday.

Students registered on-campus will be able to ride the voter shuttle, courtesy of the Political Awareness League, that will be running rides from Bartley circle all day to three different voter destinations. Call and leave your name and number if you would like the ride: (x96000) x88972.

Villanova's Political Awareness League, under the leadership of Kevin Klesh, is a non-partisan group open to anyone of any political party. To become more involved, there are meetings every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the East Lounge of Dougherty Hall.

Halloween fun is not just for kids anymore

By NICKY VALLEE
Staff Reporter

As I was enjoying a hearty breakfast of pancakes and bacon in the apartment last weekend, I mentioned to those around me that I was excited about the upcoming holiday—Halloween.

A friend quickly pointed out to me that not everyone eagerly awaits Oct. 31 as I do, I mean after all, it is a day for kids, right? College students don't wear costumes or go door to door looking for handouts anymore (we could debate this), do they? As this same friend puts it, "Halloween has sort of gotten away from people our age."

When I was a child, Halloween was the most eagerly anticipated day of the year besides Christmas. After summer had ended and I returned to school, I was already thinking about what dastardly creation I could conjure up for that year's celebration.

In grade school, we participated in contests for best costume, with categories ranging from most original to scariest, a prize I won several times for costumes such as The Mad Chef, Phantom of the Opera, and Dracula.

At night, I would go trick or treating with about 10 neighborhood kids, and, afterwards, we would compare our winnings and trade for things we had wanted but didn't get. The ritual would not have been complete without watching Charlie Brown and "The Great Pumpkin" TV special before going to bed.

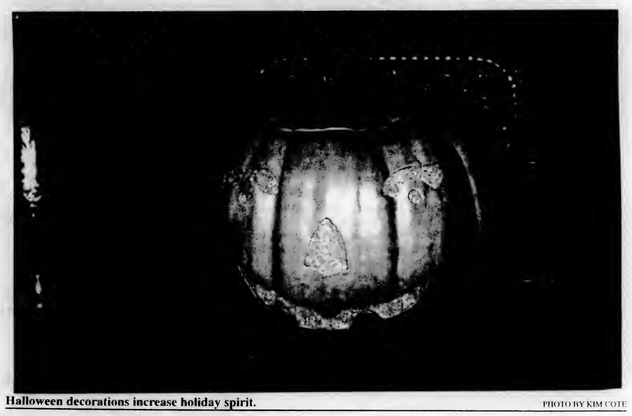
What about today? Over the years, my interest in the rituals of Halloween has waned quite a bit, and except for a few costume parties, my days of dressing up for the occasion are over, as I'm sure they are for many Villanova students. However, there are still some things students can do to celebrate Halloween without running the risk of seeming corny or stupid to other people.

For one, you could have your own costume party, complete with Halloween-oriented food and beverages. You could give a prize for best costume (maybe a free meal in Dougherty) and everyone would remember you as being that cool person who had the awesome Halloween party—you'll probably be more popular here than Bob Dole!

You could also host a "Cheesy B-Movie" party in your room or apartment on Halloween night. Classic corn like "Night of the Living Dead" and "Blacula" make for great conversation starters, and you'll definitely impress members of the opposite sex with your extensive knowledge of "Psycho" film trivia.

Last, but not least, take a field trip with a few of your closest friends to St. Mary Hall on the West Campus. This dormitory is a veritable gold mine for ghosts and things that go bump in the night (Jimmy Hoffa's body is rumored to be somewhere in the basement), and I'm sure the residents there will be more than willing to share their personal tales of terror with you (be sure to ask about the woman in heels who roams the third floor late at night).

We hope your Halloween will be a new and exciting experience this year, full of fun and great enjoyment for you and your friends.



Halloween decorations increase holiday spirit. PHOTO BY KIM COTE

Blue Key recruiting new members

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

If you want to become involved with the Blue Key Society beyond screaming "Don't come here" to a group of prospective students walking through the quad, informational meetings will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 9 p.m. at the Day Hop in Dougherty Hall and Wednesday, Oct. 30, also at 9 p.m., at the Connelly Center Cinema.

The Blue Key Society is the campus organization responsible for giving tours to students and families interested in Villanova. "Blue Key is the first contact any potential Villanovan has with the University," said Recruitment Co-chairperson Vincent Travaglione. He believes that the tour is the most important fact in deciding which university to attend because "first impressions are obviously lasting."

Blue Key reviews over 400 applicants through a two-round interview process. A team of 18 members pair off in groups of nine to choose the selected 30 to 75 new members. Although the application process is quite competitive, all who are interested are encouraged to apply.

The organization has recently implemented a new aspect to the application process. Each person who is selected for a second interview attends a mock tour that they later must evaluate, selecting the most important aspects of being a tour guide. "It is helpful if applicants are recently exposed to a tour," said Travaglione.

The responsibilities of Blue Key members include a weekly tour, one Saturday tour per semester, assist in manning the reception area in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, work both early action candidates' day and regular admission candidates' day, and assist with the open houses for each college.

The selections staff looks for applicants who are dedicated, able to communicate positive personal experiences with the University, self-confident and willing to accept leadership positions.

F E A T U R E S

Recent fraternity rush emits only positive vibes on campus

By KELLY BLEVINS
Staff Reporter

Though one round of fraternity pledging has just ended, the 14 fraternities on campus are already looking ahead to the upcoming second semester rush. The procedure for rush will return to normal this year following a sanction that had been imposed on the fraternities canceling last winter's rush.

According to Gary Bonas, director of leadership development, the fraternities completed all of the requirements of the sanction: each chapter had to complete a self-assessment, review the assessment with campus officials, participate in an eight hour retreat to reflect on its purpose and direction and complete three education classes. With this behind them, they were able to hold rush in April and pledging in September.

"No new rules have been implemented for the upcoming rush, since every chapter fulfilled its requirements," said Bonas. Second-semester freshman with 12 earned credits and a minimum grade point average of 2.25 are eligible for rushing.

The process begins shortly after sorority rush. It kicks off with a huge event where potential pledges receive information and can meet with members of the various fraternities to get an idea of where they belong.

During the next week and a half, pledges can visit as many rush functions as they wish: meetings, social events (all of which must be dry) and sporting activities. "These functions allow both old and new members to get to know each other and to impress each other, because not only is the fraternity accepting the pledge, but the pledge must be satisfied with the fraternity," said Bonas.

The fraternities next send formal invitations to those pledges who they want to join. A two-day period when no one is forced to respond to the invitation follows, and then the pledges announce their intention to join the fraternity. Pledging officially begins after the rush process is complete. Bonas estimates that 70-80 percent of the 300-400 new pledges each year successfully join a fraternity.

While the big rush event occurs once a year, the fraternities and sororities are encouraged to recruit new members throughout the year. However, fraternities are not actively recruiting at the present time, which has resulted in a slight decrease in population.

An issue concerning rush which will likely become a hot topic over the next year is the potential deferring of the whole process another semester. Therefore, students would not be eligible to join fraternities and sororities until the beginning of their sophomore year. The University will review the situation and eventually make a recommendation, but this year's rush will not be affected by the decision.

PHOTO BY KIM COTE

Fraternity brothers proudly display their letters.

Greek Briefs

Welcome back Alpha Chi's! Congratulations to Julie Bonner and Ashley Pagano on a successful tennis season. Julie Bonner finished with and outstanding 12 and 1 record. Congratulations to Elana Giannattasio and Amanda Mady for their jobs at Deloitte and Touche LLP accounting firm in New York Gity for next year.

The 1996 Chi Olympics were a huge success thanks to Melissa MacLellan! Special thanks go out to all the teams who participated and congratulations to first place Sigma Phi Epsilon, second place Special Olympics, and third place the Student Government team. Thanks to all those who contributed to this fun-filled extravaganza, all the proceeds are going to Special Olympics. Finally, Chi Omega would like to congratulate Rebecca Migliaro on being selected to be an AIDS Peer Educator.

Chi Omega would like to congratulate Rhoda Dhar, who was offered an internship in New York City from Coopers and Lybrand for next semester! We also have a belated congratulations going out to Kelly McCoy who was recognized during parents weekend for her softball achievements. She holds the new record for batting averages as well as hitting streaks!

Welcome back Alpha Phi's! Congratulations to all sisters returning from Habitat trips across the country. Get ready for an exciting weekend Oct. 26 and 27 as we kick off another Phiesta Bowl. Come out and cheer on your favorite flag football team as they fight for this year's championship. Congratulations to Lauren Russo and Megan Jordan on their internships.

Thank you to Erin Neville for her hard work to make a success of Public Safety's Drunk Driving Awareness Day. Congratulations to both Phi Sig and ADPi for winning the poster contest. Each chapter will receive $200 for their philanthropy. Emily Moscato, you were a great Habitat leader and we're all proud of you. Also, congratulations to Kate Sweeney and everyone else who went on a trip. Get ready ADPis and SAEs, our event is only a week away and then we'll be on our way to helpin out the Ronald McDonald House. Congratulations to our many sisters who had the opportunity to travel across the country with Habitat for Humanity and Service trips.

The Villanovan Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Sherman and Mr. Peabody, The top 10 Homecoming activities

10. Food fight!
9. Bobbing for beers
8. Rides on the O'Douls Clydesdale horses
7. Three legged race
6. Smuggle underclassmen into picnic
5. Guess the age of an alum's trophy wife
4. Streak the Quad
3. Public Safety Bike-A-Thon
2. Drink grain until you go blind

And the No. 1 Homecoming activity . . .

1. Synchronized boredom

New DUI program keeps students smart and dummies crashing

By KEITH MacCONNELL
Staff Reporter

A car full of passengers flips over several times and tosses numerous bodies from the vehicle. Two passengers land in a heap several feet from the car as onlookers stare in disbelief.

Tragic? Not if the passengers are dummies riding in the State Police Rollover Simulator, one of the demonstrations at the DUI Awareness Program hosted by the Department of Public Safety and the Delaware County Highway Safety Project (DCHSP).

The program, which took place in the Connelly Plaza on Oct. 1, was organized by Jeffrey Horton and Jim Bonner of the Public Safety Department and Steve Ballios, a 1995 Villanova graduate who works for the DCHSP. "The project was implemented to make high school and college students aware of DUI and its consequences," Ballios said.

Public Safety and the Drug and Alcohol Center provided informational pamphlets and videos on the consequences of DUI and alcohol misuse while the Radnor Township Police Department Traffic Safety Unit demonstrated the usage and effectiveness of the Intoxilyzer 5000, an advanced piece of equipment used at a police station to determine the degree of a person's alcohol intoxication.

Officers also informed students about the consequences of a DUI arrest and passed out alcohol impairment charts showing the levels of alcohol which affect males and females of different body weights.

Villanova University is the first college at which the DCHSP has implemented a program. Although the project was originally planned for high schools, Delaware County recognized the need for college programs because of the high concentration of colleges in the area, according to Ballios.

"Villanova was the first to respond and Jim Bonner was very eager to get the program started," Ballios said.

Students were given advice by the DCHSP and handed key chains, mugs and t-shirts for their participation in the program. A pledge stating "I promise not to drink and drive" was filled with student signatures by the end of the day.

News from cyberspace: what 'Nova has to offer on the world wide web

UNIT special to ***The Villanovan***

Villanova's home page on the world wide web (http://www.vill.edu) has expanded; listed below are some of the enhancements. The Villanova home page is available to anyone with an internet connection and a web browser such as Netscape.

The Villanovan:

The most recent edition of VU's student paper: *The Villanovan* can be found under Nova News/*The Villanovan*. The VU www will point directly to the server in the paper's office giving *The Villanovan* writers and editors direct control over the timeliness and contents of their web pages.

The 1997 spring master schedule:

The master schedule, which is searchable by instructor as well as academic department, is located under Services and Facilities/Registrar. It will tell you what courses are being offered and if they are opened or closed.

Most courses include a description. Other information available includes the name of the instructor, the days of the week and the times the class will meet and the building where the class will be held.

What's new?

To find out what is new on VU's web, scroll down and click on "What's New" and you will be linked to the latest addition to VU's web site:

Faculty and staff telephone directory

Having trouble locating someone on campus? Use the new faculty and staff telephone directory.

You can search by name or department. The directory lists the person's e-mail address. When you click on the address, the Netscape mail program is invoked and you can send an email message to the person. A WWW student directory is being worked on.

1996 men's basketball

Relive last year's great season and check out information on the new recruits! Coming soon...all schedules for Fall Sports!

1996 Academic Calendar

Check here to find out when semester breaks will be happening and also to find out about important days like homecoming and parents weekend.

Online help desk

HREF="http://www.vill.edu/admin/unit/helpdesk/homepage.htm">Student Help Desk Villanova's student help desk has created a Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) page.

For answers to all those questions you've ever wanted to ask about computers, check out the information on these pages. Included are guides for using many of the applications available on campus including email.

Directions to Villanova University

When friends, business partners, or colleagues come to visit, good directions are always important. Directions are included for those traveling by car, bus, train, or plane. Two area maps are also included and can be printed out and mailed.

UNIT public computing sites

Created exclusively by students this site is chock full of information! Included are a listing of the public computing site hours, a list of frequently asked questions, and helpful documentation.

Admissions

Here you will find the Villanova University viewbook and other admissions information. Fill out the handy inquiry form to request more information about Villanova.

F E A T U R E S

Theologian David Tracy to discuss Catholicism on campus

Special to the Villanovan

Internationally known theologian Dr. David Tracy will speak on "Contemporary American Catholicism and the New Search for God" at Villanova University's Connelly Center on Nov. 7 at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to the free lecture.

Named the Andrew Thomas Greeley and Grace McNichols Greeley Distinguished Service Professor of Roman Catholic Studies in 1987, and serving as Professor of Theology at the University of Chicago Divinity School since 1969, Tracy's most recent book is *On Naming the Present*.

Other books include The *Analogical Imagination* and *Plurality and Ambiguity*.

Tracy is an editor of *Concilium*, the international theological journal published in six languages. He has also lectured internationally at the Beijing Institute for the Scientific Study of Religion, Trinity College, Dublin, the World Council of Churches, Geneva, and the Hartmann Institute, Jerusalem.

Tracy also serves as Professor in the Committee on the Analysis of Ideas and Methods and in the Committee on Social Thought at the University of Chicago.

This lecture is the second in a series celebrating the 200th anniversary of the local province of Augustinian fathers. Future speakers include Margaret O'Brien Steinfels on Feb. 6 and Mary Catherine Hilkert, O. P., on April 30.

FILE PHOTO

Dr. David Tracy will address the issue of contemporary Catholicism on Nov. 7.

Fantastic Fedigan freshmen give service

By DOM MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

Fedigan Hall is offering its residents a new way to become involved on campus by aiding the local community. Father Frank Chambers, O.S.A., is the faculty advisor living along with Fedigan residents who began "Project Fedigan" just this year.

Fedigan residents venture into Germantown, located in the Northeast section of Philadelphia, two Saturdays a month and help to renovate a home which will shelter women who were involved in abusive relationships, homeless, or just trying to get back on their feet. Fedigan Hall will soon be going on its fourth trip to the site, each trip bringing about 15 residents.

After 19 years of living with students, Chambers is even more excited about this fall semester. At first Chambers did not know what to expect from his plan. He wanted to form a project which would bring the students of Fedigan Hall closer together and, more importantly, have them help their surrounding community. According to Chambers, "Project Fedigan has already exceeded all of my expectations."

Freshman are often unable to participate in volunteer- type projects because they either do not know about them or are left on the bottom of the list behind the upperclassmen. This new project offers freshmen a new way to become involved and build the foundation for future Villanova leaders.

This is a new and unique project for resident halls which may someday become the norm. The head resident advisor, Bob Schumacher, expresses his enthusiasm for the halls new bimonthly activity. "It's great because it helps to get guys to have a tangible thing to work for." Schumacher sees these 'tangible' goals as a way to break down the boundaries between floors and unite the entire building.

With the help of outgoing and dedicated students and the support of the resident advisors, the residence hall project is a complete success. Chambers names two freshmen students in particular who have come to the forefront of the project.

John Krutchlow is the resident in charge of gathering the volunteers together for each trip into the city. Sean Kelley is the freshman who contacts and sets appointments with the house being renovated. These two leaders have become a huge asset to Chambers and his master plan for "Project Fedigan."

This is the first project of its kind and Chambers has many future goals. Fedigan Hall also will have a celebration on Fedigan Day, April 27. This will be the first annual celebration of the end of the year's "Fedigan Project."

At this celebration one student from the residence hall will be recognized with an award based on his outstanding participation in the project, community involvement and academic performance.

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VU's *Bus Stop* creates heartwrenching themes

By KRISTEN HENDERSON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova Theatre opens its 1996-97 season with the production of *Bus Stop*, William Inge's classic American play, which captures the trials and tribulations of love by exploring the predicaments of eight lonely people working together to solve one another's problems. The cast of characters in *Bus Stop* are played by graduate students in the Villanova Masters in Theatre Program.

Inge's play primarily involves a situation between the characters of Bo Decker, a lovesick cowboy, and Cherie, a showgirl who serves as the reluctant object of Bo's affections. Both Steven McChesney and Mary Jo Lodge, as Bo and Cherie, demonstrate the universal struggles of love with a comic flair. Paul Krantz also does a great job in his role as Virgil Blessing, who serves as Bo Decker's side kick and advisor in working to win Cherie's heart. Krantz's voice inflections convince Bo to mature which is convincing to the audience.

Ralph Edmund's role as Dr. Gerald Lyman, an alcoholic professor with a dubious past, also contributes to the comedy in the play with the professor's persistent attempts to seduce Elma, the innocent young waitress in Grace's diner, who is totally unaware of the professor's intentions. Edmunds, a member of the Actor's Equity Association, does a crowd pleasing job portraying an alcoholic through his slurred speech and staggered movements on stage. Shelby Posin also does a realistic job of portraying Elma as an innocent young girl susceptible to the professor's charms. Posin's facial expressions add to her role in depicting Elma's innocence.

The roles of Grace and Will Masters, played by Maureen Tornsey-Weir and Cal Brackin also add to Inge's intention of showing the comedy of love in the play. Instead of getting caught up in the struggles that come with being in love, they take the no-strings attached approach. Tornsey-Weir does a very convincing job in her role as Grace, the owner of the diner, by appearing in command on stage. Patrick Edward White also does a convincing job as Will Masters, the Sheriff, who must intervene between Bo and Cherie in order to discourage Bo's outburst of emotion.

The setting for *Bus Stop* involves scenes which take place solely in Grace's Diner roadside eatery in Eudora, Kansas, which serves as a refuge for travelers escaping a raging blizzard on their way to Topeka. The set-design by Wesley Maloney-Truitt very effectively portrays the feel of a mid-western diner to the audience. This effect is achieved through the utilization of authentic items and artifacts that typically would have been found in a midwestern diner of the 1950s, such as a picture of President Eisenhower, a Kansas resident. The entire stage is used to give a restaurant effect by the placement of wooden tables throughout the floor. Many audience members claimed they felt they were almost in the restaurant themselves.

In an attempt to recreate this impression, the set designer and dramaturg visited many local and regional diners which served as models of the typical 1950's diner. Director Roxane Rix, who herself grew up in Kansas, also provided input on attaining the set's authenticity from her childhood experiences in Kansas. "Clothes and hairstyles, and other set elements are drawn from my family album and my older sister's school yearbook," claims Rix. The costumes of the cast, designed by Valerie M. Joyce, are also consistent with the 1950s Kansas atmosphere.

Grace (Maureen Torsney-Weir) shares a moment with Carl (Cal Brackin) in this scene from Inge's classic 1955 hit play.

The characters of Grace and Elma, played by Maureen Tornsey-Weir and Shelby Posin both are dressed in the typical waitress uniform, consisting of a frock and apron which added to the authentic effect of the set. The costumes of Bo Decker and Virgil Blessing also effectively portrayed them as mid-western cowboys dressed in boots, hats and shirts, which are the typical uniform of the American cowboy. If the goal of the cast and crew is to achieve an overall effect of authenticity, they certainly reach it with this performance.

The cast of *Bus Stop* contributes to the authentic effect through their use of a twangy-mid-western dialect, which many of the characters projected throughout the production. It is apparent to the audience that the restaurant scenes appear more realistic through each character's use of movement. Each member of the cast is able to use the entire stage space, which produces the realistic effect. The movement of the characters is especially strong during moments in which they are displaying intense outbursts of emotion. Many of the characters' movements are purposely exaggerated, which adds to the comedy of the play.

Criticism of the play involves the fact that many audience members found the two-ten minute intermissions distracting. One audience member commented that for a production which takes place on a work night, two intermissions were one too many. Others commented that the audience's attention wanes towards the end of the play. However, what was most favorably commented on was the set design and the use of movement on sage. It is obvious that a tremendous amount of detail goes into this production. If you like a simple plot line with a comic flair, this play will please.

The past trials haunt the characters in "Sleepers"

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

"Sleepers," the latest movie from director Barry Levinson ("Rainman"), gives shocking insight into the lives of four friends from the shady Hell's Kitchen section of New York, and their attempt to get back at the system for the torture they endured in reform school. Based on Lorenzo Carcaterra's heavily criticized manuscripts and rewritten for the screen by Levinson, "Sleepers" has come under fire, as being slated as a product of Carcaterra's over-productive mind, seeing as there are no actual court cases or files to prove that there is truth in what he claims is his autobiographical look back on how he and his friends used a corrupt court case to get their revenge.

The film begins with a "Wonder Years"- style narration from a young Lorenzo "Shakes" Carcaterra (Joe Perrino) about summers spent as a boy with his pals Michael Sullivan (Brad Renfro), John Reilly (Geoffery Widgor) and Tommy Marcano (Jonathan Tucker). Growing up in Hell's Kitchen is tough, as Carcaterra explains, but with the help of their neighborhood priest and friend, Father Bobby (Robert De Niro), the group has managed to stay out of trouble,and in church as altar boys. All this changes when a prank pulled with a hot dog cart backfires, leaving a man nearly dead, and the four boys sentenced to a year in reform school.

It is in this reform school that the boys suffer terrible beatings and sexual abuse from the guards. The boys serve their time and are eventually released, yet the torture they suffered leaves them scarred for life, unable to speak of what went on at the school, even amongst themselves.

The first glimpse the audience gets of the main characters after their release is of a fully grown John (Ron Eldard) and Tommy (Billy Crudup) at McHale's Bar, where they recognize Sean Nokes (Kevin Bacon) as a former guard at the reform school who had abused them on countless occasions. They waste no time shooting him to death in retaliation. Michael (Brad Pitt), who is now the assistant DA, takes the case immediately, and plans, with the help of his old friend Lorenzo, to get revenge for their year at the reform school by getting an acquittal for their two friends.

With help from a childhood pal Carol (Minnie Driver) and a gangster from the old neighborhood, King Benny (Vittorio Gassman), Lorenzo manages to get defense lawyer Danny Snyder (Dustin Hoffman) and Father Bobby to aid in the scam masterminded by Michael. An intriguing trail scene follows with Oscar worthy performances by Pitt and De Niro. "Sleepers," while disturbing at times, is an engaging story, remarkably presented by Levinson and its talented cast, and is definitely worth the price of admission.

Four friends have made a mistake that will change their lives forever.

Weezer's *Pinkerton* evolves with neurotic maturity and looniness

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

In their sophomore release, *Pinkerton*, Weezer captures the sound and attitude of early-'60s L.A. garage bands that helped rocket their debut album to the top of the charts. *Pinkerton* successfully pulls off the bouncy melodies and sunny lyrics that are essentially true to pop-punk songs. The music has evolved somewhat from the naive, bubble-gum feel of Weezer's debut to the more tough, neurotic looniness of their latest effort.

The opening bars of the first song seem to be lifted from bassist Matt Sharp's side project, the Rentals. However, the album definitely still has plenty of its signature quirkiness as heard in Weezer's first single, "El Scorcho." Although it sounds a bit like "Undone: The Sweater Song," this song's catchy chorus quickly proves to have a hook all its own.

Rivers Cuomo, lead singer/songwriter and guitarist for the band, attacks relationships with a juvenile approach. "Tired of Sex" takes a glimpse at a sulking stud's boredom with casual sex: " Saturday night I'm makin' Louise/Why can't I be makin' love come true?". The presence of occasional off-key notes and random tempo changes proves that Weezer does not follow a specific format for their songs.

In an attempt to heal wounds, Weezer covers them with candy-coated riffs and humorous lyrics. For example, "Pink Triangle" finds Cuomo wistfully singing of his disappointment in his love being a lesbian: "Everyone's a little queer/Why can't she be a little straight?". In "Why Bother," Cuomo writes about his fear of commitment: "Why bother? It's gonna hurt me/It's gonna kill when you desert me."

Pinkerton deals mainly with Cuomo's history with women, with an exception being, "The Good Life," where he swoons about being sick of fronting: "Screw this crap, I've had it/I ain't no Mr. Cool."

The album ends with a beautiful acoustic number called "Butterfly," probably named after Cuomo's favorite opera, "Madame Butterfly." Cuomo's voice reflects raw emotion and suggests that beneath his adolescent pose is an artist hiding a well of maturity.

Behind those blaring guitars is the essence of human circumstance. This album gives way to the vulnerable side of Cuomo without making listeners feel like they just stepped out of a meeting of the Lonely Hearts Club. This quality, along with good old fashioned rock-and-roll, makes for an exceptional record that listeners will not soon forget.

Explore the darkness of a historic penitentiary

By DAVID VERICA
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Looking for an interesting way to spend a few hours on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon? Well, the city of Philadelphia certainly has a plethora of choices. One unique selection is Pennsylvania's second prison, the Historic Eastern State Penitentiary. Yes, a prison. It is closed, though, no prisoners here. And yes, it is a historic monument, and an intriguing way to spend an afternoon.

The penitentiary, which opened last year for tours, located on Fairmount Avenue. at 22nd Street, is listed in the World's Monument Watch as one of the top 10 historic buildings in the world. Only six of these buildings are in the United States.

Its uniqueness comes from its radical design and its controversial objective. Construction began in 1822, and the prison was opened in 1829 and completed in 1836. It was designed by English architect John Hawiland, modeled after old world prisons such as Newgate and Bastille. Built with a radial design and a central rotunda, it quickly became the model for over 300 other prisons throughout the world. Originally it was planned to house 200 inmates, but, by the time it was completed, the limit was set at 1,500. The maximum population it held was about 1,900. Interesting enough, it had indoor plumbing even before the White House.

The controversy surrounding its objective arose from the movement to combine solitude with moral and vocational re-instruction. These ideals were impiemented through solitary confinement cells and labor initiatives. As visitors move along the guided hourly tour, they can actually step into the cells and workshops and begin to feel the weight of cemented isolation.

Prisoners were brought through the administration building where they were stripped, their vitals signs were taken, then showered and escorted, hooded, to their cells. Each of the 18 by 8 foot cells in the original layout had a tap, a toilet, small skylight window and a hatch in the door through which they were fed. They also had a small door to their exercise yard outside where they performed labor or tended gardens. Prisoners spent 23 hours in-doors and their labor ranged from on-site construction or laundry, to weaving, spinning or shoemaking.

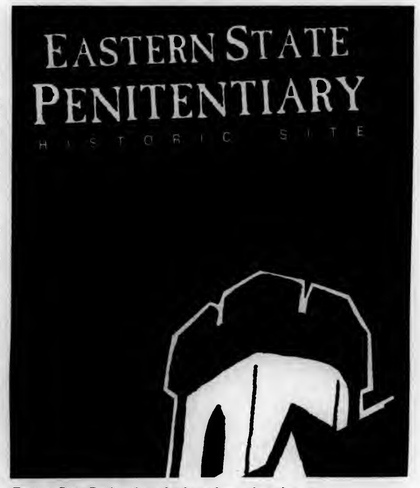
In 1925, the inmates of Eastern State began building Graterford Prison as a replacement facility. The ones who did were eventually transferred there, as well as others who did not. The major phase-out of prisoners began in the 1960s because of extremely overcrowded conditions and exorbitant operating expense.

The prison was officially closed and subsequently sold to the city for approximately $400,000. There is a lot to learn and explore at Eastern State Penitentiary. Scenes from the motion picture "12 Monkeys" were filmed there. Music videos for Tina Turner and The Dead Milkmen, and a Discovery Channel special have also been filmed there.

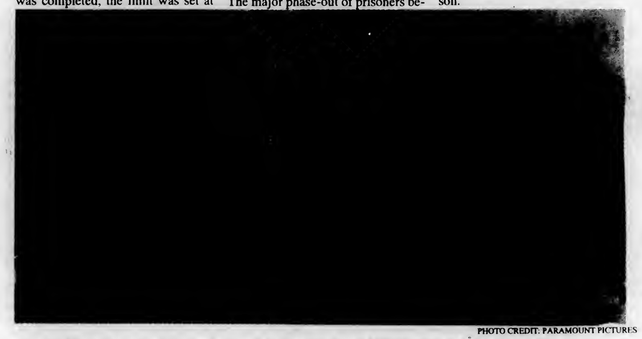
The prison was a major tourist attraction before the 1990s too. Charles Dickens visited in the 1840s and over 10,000 others in 1858 alone. Visitors can also see the famous mobster Al Capone's room, where he stayed for a year and half on concealed weapons charges.

In addition to unguided and guided tours, the penitentiary also hosts local art exhibitions and theatre performances. The Iron Age Theatre Company will be there presenting " dark tales " over the Halloween weekend.

Hours for the fall are: Sat. and Sun. from 10 a.m.- 6 p.m., with a $5 admission charge for students, $7 for adults and $3 for children ages 7-17. Call (215)-236-7236 for details and directions, but hurry the Eastern State Penitentiary closes Nov.3 for the season.



Eastern State Penitentiary shocks and surprises viewers.



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Val Kilmer plays an Irish engineer on an unplanned safari in Paramount Picture's "The Ghost and the Darkness."

"The Ghost and the Darkness" overwrought with cheesy gore

By CHRISTOPHER BEATTY
Staff Reporter

"The Ghost and the Darkness" is the number one movie in the country, and many paid $6 to sit in the theater and watch a movie that could have potentially been the best film of the pre-Christmas season- potentially certainly being the operative word.

Set against the backdrop of the neocolonial partitioning of Africa in the late 19th century, "The Ghost and the Darkness" is based on a factual account of an Irish engineer, played by Val Kilmer, who is sent to Africa by the British military to build a bridge across a river. While attempting to accomplish this feat, two lions terrorize the camp of natives, which have been hired to labor on the project. It then becomes necessary to hire an ex-Confederate soldier turned big game hunter, played by Michael Douglas, to eliminate these two lions, which the natives refer to as the Ghost and the Darkness.

It is from this factual account that the movie draws most of its strength. Heightened by the sweeping landscapes and brilliant cinematography, this film is genuinely compelling and often suspenseful. However, when the creative license kicks in, it takes a turn for the worse.

It almost seems as though the director was trying to make this film into something that is not, i.e. "Friday the 13th Part XXVII." It is needlessly graphic where only innuendo alone would have advanced a much more ominous picture of the lions, further developing the native folklore of "The Ghost and the Darkness." Furthermore, it is not graphic enough in the scenes where carnage is required. When walking into the movie theater, one expects these lions to pose almost a supernatural threat to the protagonists. Instead, the lions are malicious creatures, who use their abnormal instincts to hunt humans for sport.

The real "ghost" in "The Ghost and the Darkness" is the plot, and the only "darkness" are the holes left in the story so more grotesque carnage could be added to the film.

Both Val Kilmer and Michael Douglas turn in stellar performances in their respective roles. Their characters are vivid, inspired and absolutely believable. When they are scared, audiences are scared, and scared a lot. Their characters work well in this movie, and the intense pace which the movie maintains makes it entertaining. This is mostly due to the fact that audiences are not given much time to stop and think about what is really going on.

"The Ghost and the Darkness" is a good movie, but it could have been much better. With more utilization of the native folklore, and a little less needless gore, this could have been a blockbuster. However, despite all of this, it makes time go by quickly. It's a fast paced, well acted, dizzying spectacle that grabs one's interest right away and does not let go for a good two hours.

Eating on the Main Line: Thai Pepper

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

If you have been searching for a unique eating experience along the Main Line, look no further; Thai Pepper Restaurant combines exotic ingredients and a refined atmosphere to please even the most discriminating diner.

Thai Pepper specializes in serving patrons authentic Thai cuisine. As the interior of the menu explains, Thai food blends a variety of spices, such as curry, ginger and herb sauce, to create a variety of chicken, beef, pork, shrimp and vegetarian entrees. Located next to each item on the menu is the equivalent star rating: one star means the dish is spicy, two stars means it is medium spicy and three stars means it is very spicy.

Appetizers include such specialties as Thai pepper rolls and Thai crispy rice and winter shrimp. Thai Pepper also offers a variety of soups, salads and specialty salads. A mild salad choice, the Thai country salad, blends chicken, shrimp and egg with a homemade salad dressing. A more zesty alternative is the Nam Sod, or spicy chicken salad, made with lime juice, ginger, onion, scallions, peanut and chili spices.

For dinner, Thai Pepper offers an extensive range of entrees. Specialties include Chicken Fancy, a blend of stir-fried chicken, scallions, tomatoes, pineapple chunk, pepper and cashew nut served with a sweet and sour sauce, and Thai Pepper crab, a deep fried soft-shell crab served with curry powder, garlic and pepper. In addition to these specialties, Thai Pepper also offers various seafood and curry dishes, such as Panang Beef and Seafood in the Pot, a seafood combo served with Thai's herb and vermicelli. For the vegetarian, Thai Pepper provides nine dishes, including vegetable curry, a blend of assorted vegetables cooked in spicy red curry coconut milk and Tofu Emerald, made with steamed vegetables, tofu and peanut sauce.

The food at Thai Pepper combines a variety of tastes and ingredients and is indeed a unique eating expereince. The wait staff is extremely helpful and willing to answer any and all questions diners may have. My particular waiter, for instance, took the time to explain the ingredients of practically half the items on the menu. For first time Thai-eaters, this kind service undoubtedly proves beneficial and is well-appreciated.

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Thai Pepper's prices, though reasonable for the quality of service and cuisine provided, can be a bit draining to student budgets. The average dinner price is $9.50 and specialty entrees can cost as much as $15. A great way to sample Thai food is to order an appetizer, soup or salad or to opt for one of Thai Pepper's five-minute Lunch Specials, which average about $5.75.

The restaurant is located at 64 E. Lancaster Ave. in Ardmore (directly across from the Lower Merion Township Building) and is open for lunch and dinner Monday through Thursday from 12-3 p.m. and 5-10 p.m., Friday through Saturday from 5-10:30 p.m. and Sunday from 4-9:30 p.m. Call (610) 642-5951 for more information.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Cultural film series presents Austen's "Persuasion"

By ERIKA STOLZER
Staff Reporter

Transcending the usual limitations of period films, the screen version of Jane Austen's romance "Persuasion," the upcoming feature in Villanova's Cultural Film Series, examines the age-old dilemma of women having to marry well. Although the film is set in the world of late 18th-century, upper-class English society, it offers a classic take on the Cinderella story. Here, Austen, an astute chronicler of that era, questions the issue of matrimony in her depiction of "Persuasion's" main character, Anne Elliott. Anne, a single woman, needs to mature and discover her own identity before she can recognize true love when it comes along. In the typical fairy tale fashion, her well-being can only be assured by chance and circumstance, and of course it is, as the film features a happy ending.

While in her late teens, Anne had turned down a marriage proposal from Captain Wentworth. Although she fancied herself in love with her suitor, she also felt, due to others' persuasion, that he was socially beneath her, and thus she said no in order to preserve her dignity and respectability. Nearly 10 years later, however, the 27-year-old Anne, who is now more mature, understands what a naive judgment she had made, and that she may have lost her one chance at love.

As a portrait of a woman rediscovering her heart, it has been said that in some ways, "Persuasion" mirrors Austen's own love life. The author was 40 years old when she wrote "Persuasion," two years before her death. According to some, the story acts as wish fulfillment, enabling Austen, who had a number of romantic encounters but never wed, to live out her dream of marriage through Anne.

"Persuasion" is just one of several Austen works that have recently been adapted for the screen. The others include "Sense and Sensibility," "Emma"(and last year's contemporary take on "Emma," "Clueless") and the latest television production of "Pride and Prejudice." It is the popularity of these works and characters such as Anne, who are well-defined and determined, that have made Austen the queen of the multiplex.

There will be four screening of "Persuasion" in the Connelly Center Cinema: Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Oct. 27 at 3:30 and 7 p.m.; and Monday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students with ID and $4 for all others.

The Monday evening showing will be introduced by guest speaker Lori Lefkovitz who will also lead a discussion following the screening, "Anne Elliott's Faded Bloom." For more information, call x94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Cultural film presents award winning "Burnt by the Sun"

By KRISTI-ANN RICCI
Staff Reporter

"Burnt By the Sun," winner of the 1994 Academy Award for Best Foreign Film, is the next feature in Villanova's Cultural Film and Lecture Series. The first anti-Stalin film to come out of Russia since the break-up of the Soviet Union, "Burnt" is written and directed by Nikita Mikhalkov, who also stars as Colonel Sergei Kotov in the film.

As a hero of the Bolshevik Revolution, Kotov has been transformed by socialism into what Stalin should have been, a good soldier who loves his revolution, his people and his motherland.

Mikhalkov's real life daughter, Nadia, plays his daughter is this film, set in July of 1936, just weeks before the start of Stalin's terrorist purge. Kotov's summer holiday with his wife and young child is interrupted by the arrival of his wife's old lover, Dimitri. Dimitri, a 30-something man, has returned from exile in France under shrouded circumstances. This man is working for Stalin's secret police and has a specific and sinister agenda, one other than just visiting an old flame. His unexpected arrival brings out the sudden destruction of the Stalinist era.

The film ventures into the horrific history of this period by exploring the way individuals lived under Stalin's totalitarianism and how private lives were filled with terror, bloodshed and destruction. The story illustrates the age-old injustices inherent in absolute power and how past loyalties are easily betrayed.

Despite "Burnt's" attack on Stalin's policies and paranoia, it is interesting to note that Mikhalkov's father was a well- known children's poet and a censor of the Soviet Writers Union who betrayed political dissidents and free thinkers during Stalin's reign.

Mikhalkov has constantly defended his father's actions, even to this day. "Burnt By the Sun," dedicated to "all those who were burnt by the sun of revolution" will have four screenings in the Connelly Center Cinema. The showings will be on Saturday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 3 at 3:30 and 7 p.m. and Monday, Nov.4 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students. The Monday evening screening of "Burnt By the Sun" will be introduced by Zoia Korsun, who teaches in the modern language department. She will lead the discussion, "Conjuring Festivity-After the Aroma and Taste of Life Have Vanished," following the viewing.

For more information, call x94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Continuation of *X-Wing* excites reader with third edition

By CRAIG HATLER
Staff Reporter

X-Wing: Rogue Squadron introduces readers to the action-packed, fast-paced world of an elite group of Rebel fighter pilots, and their ability to do the impossible without breaking a sweat. *Wedge's Gamble*, while picking up on the plot line left from the end of *Rogue*, is nothing compared to the latest installment of the series by Michael Stackpole, *The Kryptos Trap*, which has hit the *New York Times* Best Seller list. Putting down the series after *Wedge's Gamble*, thinking that the rest of the series will be as mediocre as that portion is, is a serious mistake.

As *Kryptos Trap* opens, Rogue Squadron has conquered Coruscant, but for a deadly price. The virulent Krytos Virus, engineered by Ysanne Isard and her Imperial minions, has struck the non-human population of Imperial Center, requiring hundreds of thousands of gallons of the cure-all liquid known as bacta to treat all that are affected. This leads to hostility towards humans on account of their immunity to the virus.

In addition, two members of Rogue Squadron are out of action—CaptainTycho Celchu, the Executive Officer of the Rogues, is on trial for treason and the death of Lieutenant Corran Horn, who is not dead, but imprisoned on Icehart (Isard's) prison facility Lusankya. The book chronicles the race to find evidence of Tycho's innocence, to cure the aliens on Coruscant, and to keep Imperial Special Intelligence forces from destroying New Republic bacta storage facilities.

This book is the ultimate plot twist in the entire *X-Wing* series. Readers who thought they knew what was going to happen to the elite flight group from the first book will be shocked by what happens in *The Kryptos Trap*. Even if readers of this article knew about the entire outcome of all the events in the book beforehand, they will still be shocked by what happens on account of how the plot unravels and reveals itself.

While *X-Wing* is a good beginning and *Wedge's Gamble* rather mediocre, *The Kryptos Trap* makes up for the iniquities in the both of these. This book is a definite nail-biting, insane page-flipping extravaganza. Compared to *Wedge's Gamble*, which is not that great, *The Kryptos Trap* gives one reason to continue reading the series. As for the next book in the series, it is not certain when it will come out, but January is a likely date. Until then, may the force be with you.

CONCERTS

Electric Factory

Oct. 26, 8:30 p.m. — Suzanne Vega, Jason Faulkner
TICKETS: $18.50
Limited Seating available

Oct. 30, 8 p.m. — Marilyn Manson, NY Loose
TICKETS: SOLD OUTSatte Penitentie

Nov. 1, 8:30 p.m. — Korn, Pharcyde
TICKETS: $17.50

Nov. 6, 8 p.m. — Type O Negative, Life of Agony, Manhole
TICKETS:$15.25

Nov. 8, 8:30 p.m. — Crash Test Dummies, Ashley Macisaac
TICKETS: $17.50

Nov. 21, 8 p.m. — Soundgarden, Rocket From the Crypt, Tenderloin
TICKETS: SOLD OUT

Nov. 23, 8:30 p.m. — Tool
TICKETS:$16.50

Nov. 26, 8:30 p.m. — No Doubt, Shelter, Unwritten Law
TICKETS: $15.25

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Oct. 22-26, 8 p.m. — Ray Davies- 20th Century Man
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Nov. 1, 8 p.m. — Luscious Jackson, Josephine Wiggs Experience
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Nov. 8, 9 p.m. — Dishwalla, Refreshments, Tonic
TICKETS: $10.75

Nov. 10, 8 p.m. — The Heads, Featuring Johnette Napolitano of Concrete Blonde
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Nov. 19, 8 p.m. — Michael Hedges
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Nov. 27, 8 p.m. — The Lemonheads, Fountains of Wayne
TICKETS: $15.75

Dec. 12, 8 p.m. — The Descendents, Bouncing Souls, Swinggin Utters
TICKETS: $10.75

PONTIAC GRILLE

Oct. 31, 8 p.m. — Grant Lee Buffalo, 16 Horsepower
TICKETS: $11.50

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Speaker to land at VU with real ID4 stories

By MELISSA McCORMACK
Special to The Villanovan

This summer, extraterrestrials attacked theatres and movie goers alike with Independence Day. This blockbuster film lost no time in sparking its audience's interest in the possibility of actual extraterrestrial life. Shortly afterwards, shows such as "Dark Skies" were being aired for the TV season, and UFO documentaries suddenly appeared very popular.

This November the Campus Activities Team (CAT) has arranged a powerful combination for Villanova students. On Nov. 7, CAT's Ideas and Issues committe is bringing Michael Luckman to campus corresponding to Cinematic Arts's showing of "Independance Day." Michael Luckman, Director of the New York Center for UFO research, will speak on actual UFO documentation and the existance of extra terrestrial life, in the Connely Center Cinema at 7p.m.

His lecture will be followed by the regularly scheduled 10 p.m. movie showing of "Independence Day." The movie will also be shown at the usual times of 7 and 10 p.m. on Friday night. Tickets for the combined lecture and movie will be $5, and tickets for the movie only will be $3. (The cinema is now equipped to accept Wildcard.)

"ID4," as the movie is called, is concerned with a world facing the arrival of extra terrestrial life and its race threatened with extermination. In "ID4," UFOs surround the globe and attack the human race. On the fourth of July, the world fights back!

Michael Luckman claims that our world isn't far from facing this predicament itself. According to Mr. Luckman, our government is currently preparing for the arrival of higher life forms on earth. He proposes that extrterrestrials are trying to make contact with us, but that government cover-ups prevent this from happening. Not only does he predict that "we are not alone," he presents proof of life on Mars and a "race of superior beings" from a planet in our own solar system. Additionally, he reveals evidence of mankind's possible origins in outer space.

So, before you jump out of your seats watching "Independence Day" let Michael Luckman give you news of some real close encounters!

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The White House under attack from a force of incredible magnitude in Independence Day.

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The entertainment section is looking for writers-- stop by Dougherty 201 on Tuesdays at 5:00

Isaak amazes fans at Tower Theater

By NICKY VALLEE
Staff Reporter

Chris Isaak was greeted by an enthusiastic crowd upon his appearance at the Tower Theater in Upper Darby on Oct. 18. Clad in a multi-colored sequined suit and backed by his excellent band The Silvertones, Isaak took to the stage with a warm smile and trademark humor: "Hello, Upper Darby. That's the first time I've ever said 'Upper Darby' with a smile on my face."

Isaak was wildly energetic throughout the show. He commented "Tomorrow we're giving a free concert at a park in New York, so since you people paid, you get the better show!"

He opened with the fast-paced "Pretty Girls Walk By," followed by "I Believe," "Think of Tomorrow" and his 1995 hit, "Somebody's Cryin."

Fiona Apple, the 19-year-old artist who is rumored to be the next Alanis Morissette, opened for Isaak. Apple impressed the crowd with jazz-based melodies that contain an obvious folk influence.

Since Apple's songs are mostly autobiographical and are concerned with teen turmoil, she provided the perfect complement to Isaak, whose songs are geared towards a slightly older, angst-ridden crowd.

The highlight of the evening came as Isaak performed a flawlessly mesmerizing rendition of his biggest hit to date "Wicked Game." The theater was silent as Isaak and the Silvertones wove a web of swirling guitars and soft drumbeats for the audience. The band also performed an impressive rendition of the late Roy Orbison's "Only the Lonely."

During the last of his two encores, Isaak reached down into the front row and pulled several young girls up onto the stage, where they formed a dancing circle around him. Isaak looked up at the crowd and exclaimed "God, I love show business!"

If the enthusiasm generated by the Tower crowd last week is any indication, it appears that Isaak's fans love him too.

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Keswick Theater

Nov. 4, 8 p.m. — Jackie Manson
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Nov. 14, 8 p.m. — Billy Bragg, Robyn Hitchcock
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MIDDLE EAST

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Nov. 8, 9 p.m. — Kula Shaker
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Nov. 7, 8 p.m. — BlackCrowes, Gov't Mule
TICKETS:$20

Nov. 20, 7 p.m. — Blues Traveler, Chrysalids
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Nov. 8, 8 p.m. — Smashing Pumkins, Garbage

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(Applications are available in 214 Dougherty Hall and in all student organization mailboxes.)

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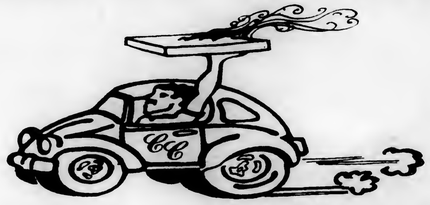

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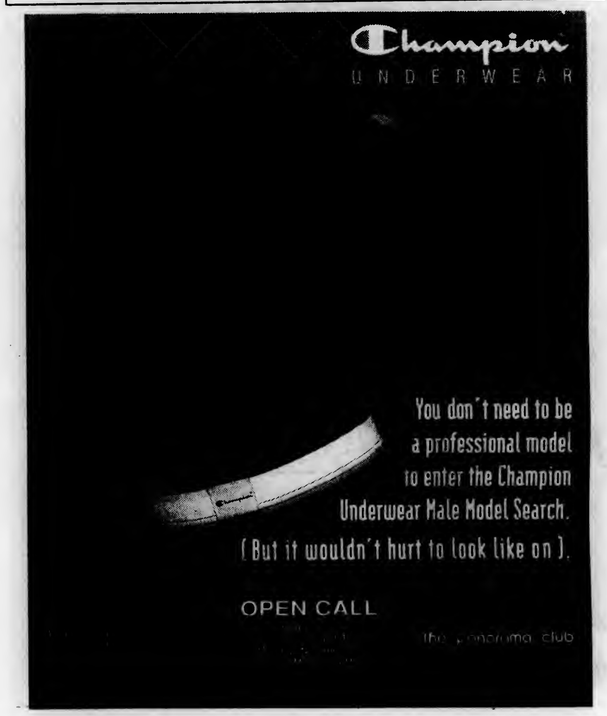

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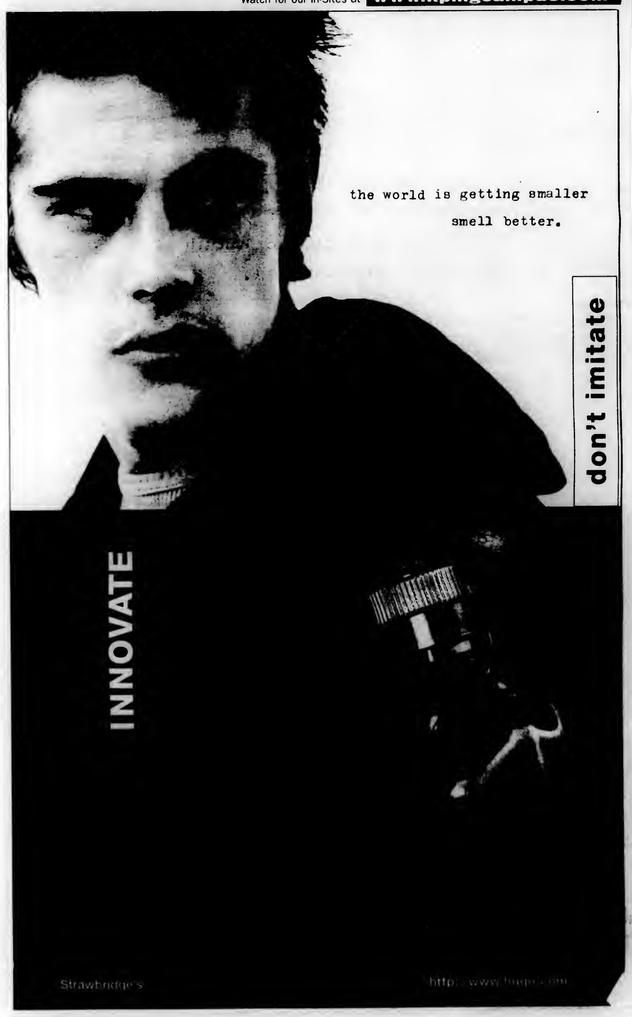

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S P O R T S

Athletes of the Week

Male
Paul Miraglia
Soccer

Miraglia collected a goal and an assist in the soccer team's upset victory over Notre Dame. For this performance, he was awarded Big East Offensive Player of the Week.

Female
Megan O'Brien
Volleyball

The sophomore had 24 kills, 21 digs and two blocks in the Wildcats' victory over Georgetown. In addition, O'Brien had 23 kills and 15 digs in an earlier match against UConn.

Women's crew ties new course record

By MEGHAN SARBANIS
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's crew team turned in some outstanding performances at the 1996 Head of the Ohio Regatta in Pittsburgh, Pa. on Saturday Oct. 5. The ladies amassed a grand total of 81 points which was good enough to secure the top spot in point totals over all other colleges and universities participating.

"It was a very successful start to the season," Head Coach Jack St. Claire said.

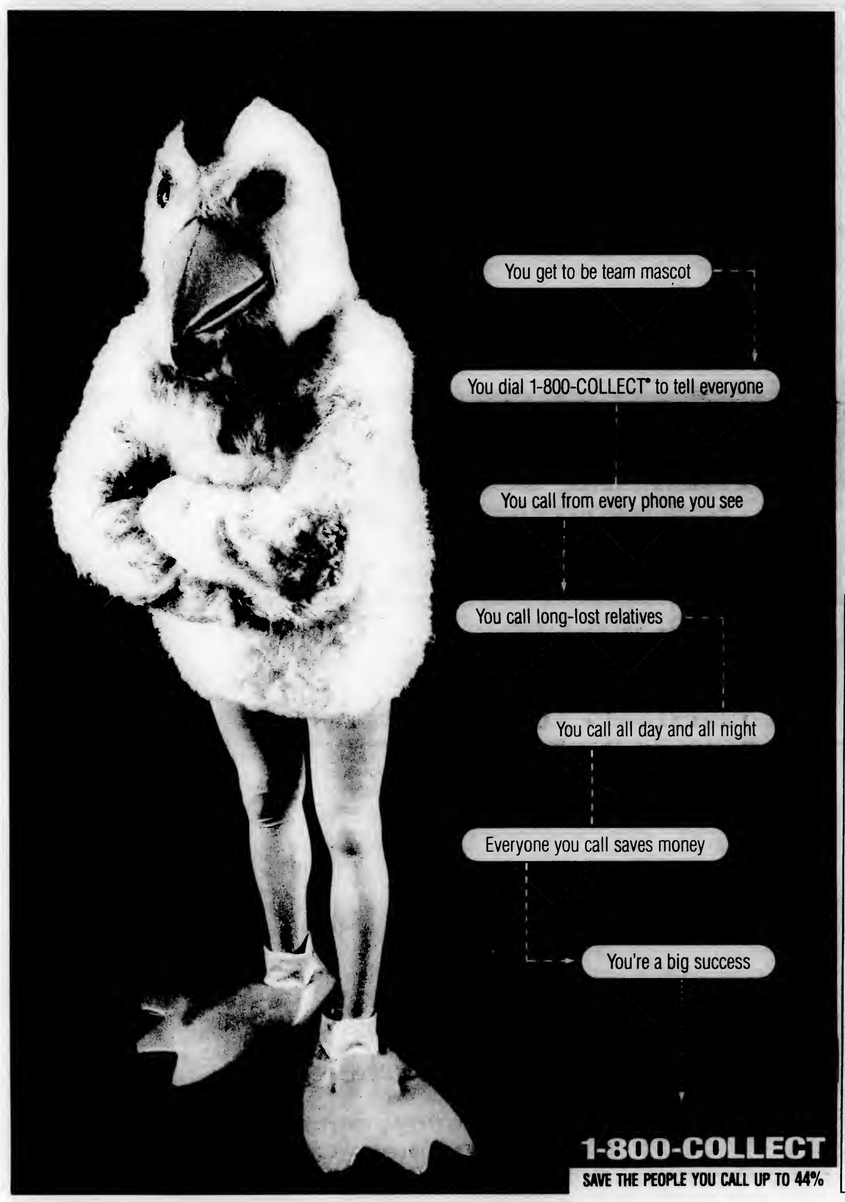
In the eight-races, the women's lightweight boat led the team toa victory leaving 16 other teams behind. They also set a new course record in the event with a time of 12:45.4 over the two and a half mile course. Coxed by junior Jess Merriam, the rowers of the boat consisted of (from stroke to bow) captain Kristan Hoskins, junior Liz Bullard, Michelle Washburn, Jess Moore, Katie Douglas and Leslie Abramson, Meg Sarbanis and senior Jen Diaz.

The open eight had an excellent row as well, finishing sixth in their event. Their boat was coxed by junior Brooke Dubois and made up of the following rowers : Laura Neenan, Molly Smith and Karen Hauck, Siobhan Walsh, Erin Stivala and Katic Arnell, Sean Moran and Julia Brys.

Both club eights turned in solid performance as well, with the Villanova A-boat and B-boat finishing in fifth and ninth places, respectively. The A-boat was made up of (from stroke to bow) Rebecca Igoe, Kaitlin Schoefield, Amy Regis, Melissa Falcone, Erin Mulvey, Jamie Hartman, Katie Sparks and Megan Rooney. The boat was coxed by Merriam. The B-boat consisted of Constance Boyce at stroke as well as Meredith Leap, Jen Deveau, Diane Jacek, Vera Stroutinsky, Megan King, Leona Petras and Kristen Hasseltine in the bow.

In the "four" races, the Villanova women dominated all three events with two convincing wins and a second place finish in addition.The lightweight four shattered the course record with a time of 13:58.4. The rowers of that boat were Hoskins, Bullard, Sarbanis and Abramson with Dubois as their coxswain. The open eight was victorious as well, with Douglas, Smith, Diaz, Hauck rowing. Finally, the club four took an impressive second place. The members of that boat included Regis, Washburn, Igoe and Schoeffield with Dubois as the coxswain.

The Crew team will be in action again at home this Saturday in Philadelphia at the Head of the Schuylkill Regatta.



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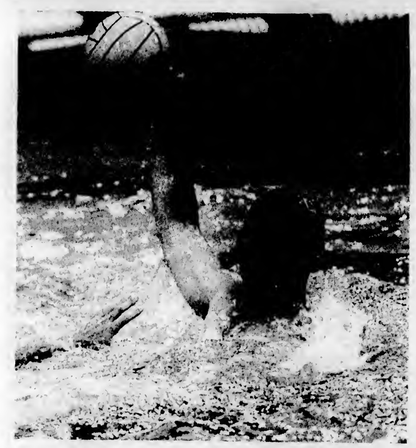

PHOTO BY AMY DRAKE
Senior Jamie Randall continues to show his fishy prowess as the team swims toward the playoffs.

Water polo splashes rivals

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

The men's water polo team wrapped up the regular season campaign in California over fall break, finishing with an impressive 17-6 record.

In the first west coast test, 'Nova beat ChapmaN in a game that saw action from the team's future stars. In the nightcap, the team defeated Loyola-Marymount, 14-10. The Cats stopped LMU for the fourth year in a row by maintaining the lead from start to finish, never letting Loyola in the game. Goalie Brian Brown had an excellent game, collecting nine saves. Villanova continued its winning streak on Oct. 17, beating both Cal-Tech, with the less-experienced players' help, and Occidental, once again maintaining control throughout the entire game.

Darren Hardel had four goals, Pat Kain scored three, Jamie Randall scored two and Dave Prusakowski scored one. The biggest challenge, however, would come on the 18th, when the team played two nationally ranked teams in Claremont-Mudd-Scripps and Santa Clara. In the morning game, the Cats had to adjust to a 30 meter pool, one much larger than the 25 yard pools in which it is used to playing. The team found itself unable to adapt to the size change in just one game, and Claremont successfully executed their counterattack skills in their home pool to defeat 'Nova, 15-7.

The men jumped back into the pool and back into the win column that evening, defeating No. 16 Santa Clara, 9-8. Kain, Anthony Santoro and Brian Tomsheck each contributed two goals while Dan Tichy scored one. On Saturday, the future of Villanova water polo contributed once again as they shut out Chapman, 5-0, and defeated Redlands, 6-3. All of these games, however, were only warm-ups for the biggest game of the tournament against No. 7 University of California-San Diego. In what Assistant Coach Vicki Gorman called 'Nova's best all-around game of the season, it was able to compete for four quarters with one of the best teams in the country, but fell short, 13-10. Kain netted a two-point goal to start the game and played solid defense the entire match. Jamie Randall also had an excellent game, tallying two goals.

"We're happy to be back and glad we had the opportunity to play some high caliber water polo out in California," said Gorman. "We're going to see the pay-offs of this week of competition this weekend so it was an instrumental part of our season to go out there and play ten games and get that experience and exposure to help prepare us for playoffs and Championships."

Tomorrow marks the beginning of the Southern Division playoffs, which take place in Annapolis. Revenge could be a factor in the first match against Richmond, which eliminated the Cats in the playoffs last season in sudden death overtime. As the No. 3 seed out of nine, Villanova has a good chance of making the CWPA Championships at Harvard on Nov. 9-10.

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Women's volleyball smashes opponents

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The women's volleyball team has come up big against Big East competition in the last two weeks, coming up with three impressive victories over Connecticut, St. John's and Georgetown to improve their record to 13-6.

On Oct. 11, the Wildcats beat UConn, 15-5, 15-7, 13-15 and 15-12. Sophomore Megan O'Brien had an outstanding game with 23 kills and 15 digs. Junior captain Stacey Evans contributed 11 kills and 14 digs.

Elizabeth Jones turned in a team high 18 digs in the winning effort. Freshman Stacey Moline turned in two kills, seven digs and 39 aces.

The Huskies had 72 kills compared to 'Nova's team total of 59. Although many more of the Huskies' team totals outnumbered the Wildcats, 'Nova came out on top.

Two days later, 'Nova faced the Red Storm of St. John's and escaped with a victory in five games, 10-15, 14-16, 15-9, 15-9 and 17-15. Dropping the first two matches, the Wildcats managed a powerful comeback to take the victory. Evans captured 23 kills and seven digs.

Sophomores O'Brien and Jones combined for 32 kills, 16 digs and two blocks. Senior Captain Debbi Picco contributed to the victory with 11 kills, three aces and six digs. Junior Marisa Davidson had an outstanding game with 15 kills, four digs and two blocks. St. John's attacking percentage was a weak .181 as compared to the Wildcats .303.

On Oct. 18, the Wildcats traveled to Georgetown to take on the Hoyas and left a winner, claiming the victory in four matches, 13-15, 15-13, 15-9 and 15-12. O'Brien led the way with 24 kills, 21 digs and two blocks.

Jones turned in another stellar performance with 17 kills and 28 digs while Moline had 68 aces. Team captains Picco and Evans combined for 26 kills and 27 digs. Davidson had another solid performance with 10 kills and 12 digs. In the past three Big East matches, O'Brien leads the team with 67 kills and 45 digs.

With much of the season yet to come, the Wildcats will look to keep up their winning ways.

They faced Princeton yesterday and will duel Big East rival Seton Hall on Halloween.

S P O R T S

Intramural Update

MEN

SUNDAY

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Abbie	4	0	196	18
House of 96	2	2	91	87
LDB	2	2	101	106
McGuire's Rubber Necks	2	2	79	137
The Marauders	1	3	64	117
Katherine Crushers	1	3	78	145

MONDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
APD	4	0	125	67
Silver Bullets	2	2	72	84
MacDaddyz	1	3	75	75
Fab Frosh	1	3	69	115

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
The Program	3	1	140	54
Dog Pile	3	1	64	32
NROTC "A"	2	2	86	102
Minerva's Raiders	0	4	30	138

TUESDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Green Hornets	3	0	110	44
I.L.C.S.	3	0	115	51
Rage	2	1	86	25
Pi Kapps	1	2	58	59
Wild Frosh	0	3	38	121
100 Proof	0	3	25	143

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
After Shock	3	0	86	26
Morning Missiles	3	0	116	57
The Colts	1	2	78	82
Hard Corr	1	2	20	58
ATO	1	2	44	82
Pull Creature	3	0	20	65

WEDNESDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Lambda Chi Alpha 1	3	0	118	52
Pikes	2	1	46	30
New Revolution	2	1	70	72
Lambda Chi Alpha 2	2	1	44	51
The Black Knights	0	3	70	106
Beta Theta Pi	0	3	0	37

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Dirty Dozen	3	0	35	20
Team Pimp	2	1	122	64
Law	1	2	40	53
Moriarity	0	3	44	104

THURSDAY

Austin

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Quick Change	2	0	95	32
Thundering Herd	2	0	70	20
The Legends	1	1	50	60
Fist Heads	1	1	21	54
Sigma Pi	0	2	55	83
Fightin' Squirrels	0	2	12	54

Mendel

Name	W	L	PF	PA
JB's	2	0	34	14
Shots in Your Face	1	1	49	38
Hard Corr Killers	1	1	31	47
Flag Brigade	0	2	30	38

WOMEN

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Foxfire	4	0	40	6
Alpha Delta Pi	2	1	32	58
Tri Delta	1	2	49	38
Foofies	0	4	12	31

CO-ED

Name	W	L	PF	PA
Hurricane Fran	2	0	34	14
Too Easy	1	1	6	6
Guys and Dolls	1	1	26	34
Sullivan-Sheehan	0	2	6	18

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Name	Record	LW
1. Thundering Herd	2-0	1

The Herd beat the Fightin' Squirrels, 40-6, since the last issue. They played possibly their toughest game of the year yesterday after the newspaper against No. 8 Quick Change. If that game was a victory, the Herd will have posted consecutive perfect regular seasons.

2. Abbie	4-0	3

This year's juggernaut played two games on the Sunday before break, winning by a sum of 103-0. One of the victories was a 48-0 win over the previously unbeaten House of 96. Abbie scored 196 points in their four games, by far the highest total in Intramurals.

3. Green Hornets	3-0	8

The Hornets make the biggest leap of the year as they beat No. 2 Rage, 25-19. It marked the first time a team scored against the previously unbeaten Rage. The Green Hornets have scored 110 points on the season, an average of 35 points a game.

4. I.L.C.S.	3-0	6

I.L.C.S. gave up 20 points to a weak Wild Frosh team (which had only scored 18 points for the entire season), but came out on top thanks to a 39-point offensive effort. I.L.C.S. and the Green Hornets were supposed to play on Oct. 8, but the game was canceled because of weather.

5. The Program	3-1	9

The Program is ineligible for the playoffs because of a forfeit (their only loss of the year), but they certainly established themselves as a very athletic team. Since the last issue, they beat Minerva's Raiders by a season high 76-6. This week they defeated a Navy team than had just knocked off No. 4 Dog Pile.

6. APD	4-0	7

APD beat a strong Silver Bullets team, 34-20. It marked the second time that APD beat the former Corr boys. After starting the season unranked, they have moved from No. 9 to No. 7 to No. 6, and finished as the only undefeated team in a tough Monday Austin division.

7. Rage	2-1	2

After outscoring their opponents 67-0 over the first two games, Rage was upset by the Green Hornets. The formerly impenetrable defense had several breakdowns, giving up four touchdowns. Not only was the dream of a season shutout lost, so was the vision of an undefeated season.

8. Quick Change	2-0	10

Quick Change moves up two spots with its 48-7 win over the Fist Heads, who had won their first game 14-6. Quick Change had a chance for the upset of the year against Thundering Herd yesterday, but the newspaper deadline had passed.

9. Morning Missiles	3-0	--

The Missiles finished the season undefeated after winning its games by an average of 22 points. Unfortunately, they did not have a regular season game scheduled against the other undefeated team from their league, After Shock, which won its average game by 20 points.

10. Dog Pile	3-1	4

The Dog Pile actually won only one game on the field this year as two of their three victories came as forfeits. Their defeat was a 20-14 loss to NROTC "A." Last year's semi-finalists lone on-field victory was against the 0-4 Minerva's Raiders.

Football playoffs start this Sunday

Championship games will be played in the Stadium Nov. 3 at 3, 4 and 5 o'clock for the respective leagues

(women's, co-ed and men's)

Soccer Update

As the weather gets colder, the soccer gets hotter. Three weeks into the season, soccer is scoring big in the Intramural Program with 40 teams filling the league to its maximum.

The women's league is bursting with talent. Neactins heads the rest with an undefeated record. This team has been around for four years and is poised to go for the championship with leaders such as Tracy O'Lare and Tracy McGowan. Their toughest competition will come in the form of Foxfire and Stanford Stallions.

The men's league also continues its tradition of excellent play. The teams to beat this year are the Figgs, the Rejects, Phalanx, Navy, McGuire Inmates, Bayern Munchen, the All-Stars and Mallories. The championship is up for grabs as the playoffs offer the all the soccer teams a chance to begin anew.

Playoffs begin Nov. 3. The games will be played on the stadium turf and the student body is encouraged to come out and view the soccer exhibitions.

S P O R T S

1996-97 NBA Preview

Western Conference

By STEPHEN HAUG
Staff Columnist

The look of the Western Conference has changed as a result of the movement of free agents in the off season. Shaq enters the conference, while Dikembe and Vlade take their shows to the East. The West also welcomes possible future greats in Bryant and Marbury.

MIDWEST DIVISION

***1. Houston Rockets**

After failing to win a third-straight NBA title last season, the Rockets decided to make some changes. Goodbye Robert Horry and Sam Cassell, hello Sir Charles. Throw in free agents Brent Price and Kevin Willis and the Rockets have a very formidable team. However, the Rockets seem to be a little short on depth and Price doesn't match up well with the likes of Payton, Stockton, and Van Exel.

***2. San Antonio Spurs**

David will put up Goliath numbers and Avery Johnson and Sean Elliot are nice complimentary players. Charles Smith and Vinny Del Negro, however, cannot match up with the elite teams of the league and the Spurs didn't do much to improve on the boards, where they were ranked 24th last season. If Dominique hit the fountain of youth on his way back from Greece, the Spurs could win the division.

***3. Utah Jazz**

With Stockton and Malone healthy the Jazz will win 50 games, as they have in seven of the last eight years. Greg Ostertag probably wouldn't start for many college teams, let alone the Spurs. Byron Russell or Chris Morris at small forward is not exactly imposing either. Utah's conference finals appearance last year may have been the closest chance Malone and Stockton had for a title.

***4. Dallas Mavericks**

The triple threat of Kidd, Jackson and Mashburn can light it up, but none of them like each other. The addition of Montross, Samaki Walker and Chris Gatling provide much needed muscle up front. If new coach Jim Cleamons and veteran Derek Harper can get through to the "Big Three," the Mavs should be one of the league's most improved teams.

5. Denver Nuggets

The Nuggets squad of 1996 hardly resembles that of last year. Out are Mount Mutombo, Jalen Rose and Abdul-Rauf. They were replaced by Mark Jackson and Ervin Johnson. (No, not that Ervin Johnson, although he may make a comeback again this year as he does every year.) McDyess and LaPhonso Ellis are a nice forward tandem but veterans Dale Ellis, Ricky Pierce and Sarunas Marciulionis don't have much left in the tank to make the Nuggets into more than an mediocre team.

6. Minnesota Timberwolves

Kevin Garnett proved in the second half of the season that he will be a star in the league and Stephon Marbury will be fun to watch at the point. However, besides a babysitter for these two youngsters, The Wolves could use a center. Stojko Vrankovic put up big numbers in Greece last year but now he faces the likes of Shaq, David and Hakeem just in the West alone.

7. Vancouver Grizzlies

Fifteen wins in their first year in the league, including wins over Seattle and New York. Shareef Abdur-Rahim and Roy Rogers are nice youngsters to compliment Big Country Reeves, but more than 20 wins will be a stretch.

PACIFIC DIVISION

***1. Seattle Supersonics**

After finally breaking the jinx and winning in the playoffs, Seattle took the Bulls six games and improved in the offseason. Jim McIlvaine and Craig Ehlo were brought in to get Seattle over the top, but if Sean Kemp plays like he did in the playoffs last year, he and Gary Payton will be all Seattle needs for the title.

***2. Los Angeles Lakers**

Kazaam. . . . just like that the Lakers have changed the whole style of the West. The Lakers weakness last season, rebounding, is now a strength with Shaq. Nick Van Exel and Eddie Jones will only get better. Although it's only preseason, Kobe has looked downright scary, and Elden Cambell is coming off a career year. The Lakers may be a year away from taking over, but if Shaq can hit his free throws and Kobe is the next star, their time is now.

***3. Portland Trailblazers**

This team wins the all-bad-attitude title hands down. However, Rasheed Wallace, Kenny Anderson and Isaiah Rider are a big improvement over last year and Robinson and Sabonis provide a solid duo in the paint. If Chris Dudley doesn't have to shoot foul shots and the team psychiatrist can work some magic, the Blazers should be exciting to watch.

***4. Sacramento Kings**

Mitch Richmond and Abdul-Rauf form a solid backcourt and forward Brian Grant (14.4 ppg, 7.0 rpg) is a rising power forward. Billy Owens and Olden Polynice had decent seasons, and rookie Tyus Edney played well despite his lack of size. If Corliss Williamson can stay healthy, his rebounding and frame can only help the Kings equal last season's playoff appearance.

5. Golden State

Joe Smith was the real deal in his rookie season and Latrell Sprewell at the two position gives the Warriors a nice inside-outside duo. Donyell Marshall, however, is looking more and more like a bust, and Chris Mullin and Mark Price have been co-MVP's of the all-injured team the last few seasons. If Todd Fuller can average more points than his colleg GPA (3.9), the Warriors will push for a playoff spot.

6. Phoenix Suns

KJ, Sam Cassell and rookie Steve Nash playing the point. Robert Horry, Michel Finley and Danny Manning at the small forward slot. Depth is nice, but not when you have Hot Rod williams or Wayman Tisdale at center and Wesley Person as your only shooting guard.

7. Los Angeles Clippers

The Clippers are the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the NBA. Pooh Richardson at the point is hideous and center Brian Williams is still holding out. Can you blame him? Power forward Loy Vaught is underrated, Barry is a decent young player but if Wright isn't Shaq, the Clippers could be the favorite for the number one pick.

***PLAYOFF TEAM**

FINAL PREDICTIONS
Finals: Seattle over Chicago
MVP: Shaquille O'Neil
Rookie of the Year: Allen Iverson

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Phil Jackson throws his arms around his $15 million-dollar man. Will Mike be able to lift the Bulls to another title? For some reason Fire and Ice don't think so.

Eastern Conference

By ROMAN VACCARI
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With the baseball season coming to an end with the New York Yankees about to clinch the World Series, it looks like another New York team, the Knicks, will be the odds-on favorite to win the Eastern Conference and the NBA title.

ATLANTIC DIVISION

***1. New York Knickerbockers**

After many years of trying to win an NBA Championship single-handedly, Patrick Ewing finally has a supporting cast. First, New York traded Anthony Mason for Larry Johnson, a proven 20-point scorer. Also added were rising superstar Alan Houston and point guard Chris Childs. As a result, the Knicks starting lineup has three 20-point scorers and a physical power forward in Charles Oakley, making Childs' job that much easier. Sixty wins is easily within reach for this team.

***2. Washington Bullets**

Thanks to the snake in South Florida that coaches the Heat, the Bullets could be the league's most improved team. The Bullets lost and then regained the services of Juwan Howard after Pat Riley got caught with his hands in the cookie jar. The Bullets also traded overrated Rasheed Wallace for point guard Rod Strickland. If Chris Webber can stay healthy the Bullets will have one of the league's best front courts in Howard, Webber and big Gheorghe Muresan.

***3. Orlando Magic**

After being so close to an NBA title, the Magic are now so far away after Shaquille O'Neal decided that the money is greener on the left coast. With no Shaq, Orlando takes a major step backwards despite being 20-8 last season in games in which O'Neal didn't play. With O'Neal gone, Penny will have to carry the load, as his supporting cast is adequate, at best. With O'Neal gone, power forward Horace Grant has to dominate the boards for this team to win. If all goes well, the Magic can win 48 to 50 games.

***4. Miami Heat**

Tim Hardaway, Sasha Danilovic, Alonzo Mourning, P.J. Brown and Juwan Howard. Oops, one small error: delete Juwan Howard and any shot at the NBA finals or even the Atlantic Division. One day Pat Riley will learn that if you can't play by the rules, you can't play the game. Even without Howard, the Heat should be able to win about 45 games, good enough to get themselves into the playoffs.

5. New Jersey Nets

John Calipari has left the college game for the fame and fortune of the NBA. The foundation is there for the Nets. Shawn Bradley will continue to develop into a big-time center. Jayson Williams is one of the best rebounders in the game. Kerrrrry Kittles, the steal of the draft, will be a superstar. Thirty-five wins would be a start for this organization.

6. Philadelphia 76ers

New team. New ownership. New building. Same results. The Sixers believe that they have their backcourt of the future in Jerry Stackhouse and Allen Iverson. I wouldn't be so convinced just yet, especially after you see their collective shooting percentage at the end of the year. As for the front court, rumor has it that Derrick Coleman is finally in shape. That doesn't mean he's going to come to play every night. Should be another 20-win season for the Sixers.

7. Boston Celtics

Where have the glory days gone for this once proud franchise? M.L. Carr's Celtics have won 68 games the last two seasons. This team just does not have any talent and will certainly be the Eastern Conference's worst team.

CENTRAL DIVISION

***1. Chicago Bulls**

Da Bulls! After winning an unprecedented 72 games last season, many Bulls fans expect Chicago to follow up with an encore performance. Not exactly. Head coach Phil Jackson, MJ, Pippen and the rest of the Bulls know that last season was a special season, one that occurs once a lifetime. The Bulls are still the team to beat; however, age will likely take its toll on this team. The Bulls should once again win 60 or so games, but this will be the last good Bulls team as Michael, Scottie, Dennis and Phil are all free agents at the end of the year.

***2. Indiana Pacers**

Once again the Pacers have a good team, but just not quite good enough. The Pacers robbed Denver when they gave up Mark Jackson and Ricky Pierce for Jalen Rose and Reggie Williams. Also, the Pacers were able to sign their top three free agents, Dale and Antonio Davis and Reggie Miller. With Jackson's departure, the pressure will be on seconD-year point guard Travis Best to run the offense. Once again the Pacers should win around 50 games, but this team simply doesn't have enough to get by the Knicks and Bulls.

***3. Atlanta Hawks**

Lenny Wilkens did an outstanding job with this club last year, winning 46 games as well getting to the Conference Semifinals. During the off-season, the Hawks made the worst acquisition by signing Dikembe Mutombo, a great defender with no offensive game. However, Mookie Blaylock, Steve Smith and Christian Laettner should provide this team with enough offense to finish third in the weak Central Division.

***4. Milwaukee Bucks**

The Bucks COULDquite possibly the most improved team this year. Twenty-five wins last season was very disappointing, especially for a team that has two of the best forwards in the game: Big Dog and Vin Baker. For the second straight year the Bucks spent their lottery pick on a two guard, as they drafted Ray Allen after Shawn Respert had a terrible rookie year. Milwaukee should hover somewhere near .500 and should sneak into the playoffs.

5. Charlotte Hornets

Two years ago Charlotte was buzzing over their Hornets as the team was about to become the one to beat in the East. Two years later, LJ is a Knick and Alonzo is in Miami and the Hornets are left with Glen Rice and Anthony Mason. Mason is a good player, especially defensively. His only problem besides his attitude is that he thinks that he's a lot better than he really is. Newly acquired Vlade Divac will do an admirable job in the middle, but the Hornets will once again find themselves in the lottery.

6. Detroit Pistons

After making the biggest improvement in the NBA last season, Detroit took a huge step backwards. The Pistons went into the off-season hoping to become a contender and came out looking like a pretender. Doug Collins wanted Juwan Howard to join Grant Hill and Alan Houston. While pursuing Howard, Houston left for New York and then Howard rejected Detroit's offer, leaving Detroit only with Hill.

7. Cleveland Cavaliers

Year after year Head Coach Mike Fratello shows why he is one of the better coaches in the NBA, as year after year he manages to win with defense. Year after year I pick the Cavs to finish near the basement of the division. Maybe I'll be right this year.

8. Toronto Raptors

The Raptors had a good year for an expansion team, winning 21 games. More impressive is that they beat teams such as the Sonics, Magic and even the Bulls, three teams that all won more than 60 games. If newly-drafted Marcus Camby proves he's an All-Star caliber player, then the Raptors will be a lottery or two away from being a playoff team.

***PLAYOFF TEAM**

FINAL PREDICTIONS
Finals: New York over Houston
MVP: Michael Jordan
Rookie of the Year: Kerry Kittles

KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
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Eric Lindros' groin has raised a lot of questions and a little bit of anger during the early part of what has barely been a mediocre season for the Flyers so far. No, it hasn't been spotted with Joey Merlino lately, nor has it been suspended for spitting on any refs (Sorry, wrong sport).

His groin has simply been pulled. I assume he pulled it, but who knows? The long and the short of it is that this injury kept Lindros out of the first couple of contests of this 1996-97 season. Big deal, right? Well, apparently not. Some people have questioned the big guy's heart and his manhood concerning his absence during these games. "Where's our supposed team leader?" they demanded. For them, coming after his disappearance in last year's Florida series in the playoffs, this has just been further evidence that No. 88 doesn't have what it takes to be a winner.

Now I'm no groin expert, but I imagine such an injury hurts. If the guy says he can't play, I'm willing to give him the benefit of the doubt. Besides, when a season's more than 80 games long, who cares if he misses 10 or 15 games? In fact, who cares if he misses 40 or 50 games, as long as we make the playoffs?

Basically, it comes down to the fact that the hockey season is just too darn long. Teams have every incentive to let their star dog the first half of the season if it means he'll be in prime shape come playoff time. If I'm Eric Lindros, I'll consider risking permanent groin injury if it means winning the Cup, but not if it means just winning a couple of extra games in October and November.

But, on the other hand, the fans do have a serious beef. Given that it costs at least 30 bucks to see a game even if you're sitting in the rafters, I suppose you have every right to expect to see the marquee attraction, injured groin or functional groin.

Essentially, just like in all sports, the root of the problem is the money-grubbing owners. These guys would never even consider going to a shorter season even if it meant improving the product. And there is almost no doubt that a shorter season would lead to a better brand of hockey. The strike-shortened season all but proved that. Faced with the prospect of regular season games actually meaning something, teams, stars and all skated hard every night, yielding the most explosive offensive season in hockey history.

Until the owners are willing to sacrifice some ticket revenue, or fans wise up and stop paying zillions of dollars to see early season games that mean absolutely nothing, it makes more sense for Lindros and all of the other all-stars to rest their groins for most of the season.

And the award goes to . . .

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

This year's college football season can best be described as anti-climatic. Every week there seems to be some colossal meeting between highly touted teams which will be forever etched in the history of our country. These "Games of the Century" are hyped up by the media to change the lives of everyone everywhere. No longer will we be the same when the gun sounds and these contests are over. Supposedly these games will also reveal mysteries that the most prolific thinkers of our time have been pondering over for years, mysteries such as what was actually in the secret protocol of the Stalin/Hitler Pact in World War II and who shot JFK. However, these games have failed to live up to their billing and have not revealed any answers to these profound mysteries. But cheer up my friends, because despite all of this I am still going to hand out my annual mid-season college football season.

The *Lee Corso Award* (the "not so fast my friend" Award)--This award is bestowed upon the team who has been hyped up to be on the verge of contending for a national championship, but who week after week turns in performances as lackluster as Bob Dole's presidential campaign. This year's Corso Award goes out to those Fightin' Irishmen in South Bend, Ind. Coach Lou Holtz still doesn't grasp the concept that quarterback Ron Powlus has a right arm that might actually be capable of throwing a football. For some reason he is also under the illusion that fullback Marc Edwards is the next Paul Hornung. Newsflash, Lou: Your team just lost at home to Air Force. Wake up and smell the Outback Bowl.

The *LeRoy, N.Y. Award*--Named after the tiny upstate New York town, home of yours truly. This honor is given to a great team which is continually shunned by the pollsters because they play in a lesser known conference. This year's honor goes to the Cowboys from the University of Wyoming. The Cow-pokes are currently 8-0 and are not even ranked in the top ten. They have one of the top offenses in the nation led by the big plays of arguably the best receiver in college football: Marcus Harris. Most fans do not even know they have football in Wyoming, but this one does and I am honored to present the Cowboys with their first LeRoy, N.Y. Award.

The *Lydell Hart Award*--This award is given to the college football coach so far this year who, like the brilliant tank warfare strategist Hart, best dismantles his opponents with cunning and deception. This tribute is thus given to the top general in college football, the head coach of the No. 1-ranked Florida Gators, Steve Spurrier. His coaching wit can be matched by no one and the control he has over his program is amazing. With quarterback Danny Wuerffel carrying out Spurrier's wonderfully constructed game plans, Gator games are often decided in the first quarter. Kudos to Coach Spurrier, it is not often that I compare mortal men with the vaunted Lydell Hart.

The *Patrick Milton Award*--This distinction goes out to the best collegiate football player in the nation. Named after the outstanding special teams player from the now defunct Dallas Texans. Milton, game in and game out, refused to let his team lose and always came up with the big play on kickoff and punt returns. You can catch the exploits of Milton on those NFL Films features that talk about the legends of the game. Football guru Steve Sabol mentions him whenever he talks about the most feared players. Keeping this in mind, this year's award goes out to Ohio State's offensive tackle Orlando Pace. So what if Pace never touches the football. What he does for his team is simply amazing. He dominates his opponents like no one else in college football. Pace opens up holes that the Krapf's Shuttle could go through. Why do you think that Buckeye running back Pepe Pearson is averaging about four yards per carry before he even gets touched by an opposing player. Eat your hearts out, Troy Davis and Danny Wuerffel, big Orlando Pace gets this award.

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Mt. Buckeye, a.k.a. Orlando Pace, gets the nod as college's best player.

The *Brian Roncoroni Award*--Named after the famous Hershey, Pa. native who surprised everyone with his athletic talent when he came to Villanova, this award is given to the team who is the biggest surprise in the first half of the college season.

West Virginia earns the award this year, due to their undefeated record and No. 11 ranking in the polls. Freshman phenom Amos Zeroue has finally brought a running game to Morgantown which helps take the pressure off quarterback Chad Johnston. However, it is the Mountaineer defense that is winning games for them. The second half of the season should show whether West Virginia is a legitimate team with their schedule including dates with Syracuse, Miami and Virginia Tech.

Cleaner running Watters

By JON NEHLSEN
Sports Editor

It wasn't supposed to happen. You tried so hard to resist. It can't be. Admit it, you are actually starting to (gasp) . . . like Ricky Watters.

Oh c'mon, it was only a matter of time. He leads the conference in rushing yards and yards from scrimmage this season. He had the best game of his career this past week. Face facts. Ricky is the best running back in the NFL this season.

Oh sure, you can't forget the infamous press conference. When Watters muttered the all too familiar "For who, for what" comment, he butchered more than just the standard rules of English grammar. He butchered the affection that you Birds fans feel for your gridiron idols. It looked as though Watters had no particular affinity for the city, the fans or the sport. It looked as though he was nothing more than a hired gun, a mercenary soldier brought in to deliver the team a few wins before he moved on to plunder the coffer of another city. And if there is one thing this city hates, it is a traitor.

But since that dark chapter in Eagles history, something has changed. Ricky has grown up. In press conferences, he almost never mentions his own accomplishments. He trumpets the success of the team and downplays his own 100-yard efforts. After a touchdown, there are no more endzone shenanigans, just a genuflection and a flip of the ball to the referee. He constantly lowers his head and carries the pile for an extra two or three yards. Best of all, Philly's bad-boy gets stronger as the game wears on. If he adds any more muscle in the off-season, he could fill the Birds' gap at linebacker. The point is, despite his occasionally misplaced brashness, the man works hard. He has the kind of work ethic you'd like to teach your kids.

This is not to say you'd want him taking out your sister. His mouth still runs as fast as he does on the field. But it is hard not to notice No. 32 giving his opponent a congratulatory pat after a good tackle. It is hard not to notice the scowl on his face when he is not on the field. The bottom line is that the man wants the ball. And unlike many of his peers, he wants the ball with the game on the line. You couldn't possibly hate a player with that level of determination forever.

The look in his eye after his victory-sealing 49-yard touchdown last week told the true story of Ricky Watters. The man is a warrior. And all you Eagles faithfuls are starting to realize that it just might be better to fight with him than against him.

Varsity Club inducts twelve

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Villanova Varsity Club inducted 12 former athletes and one former coach into its Hall of Fame during halftime of last Saturday's football game. The inductees represented five different sports.

Three basketball players and one basketball coach were inducted into the Hall of Fame. Joseph Walters was captain of the Wildcat team in 1944-45 after being its leading scorer the year before. Jack Kelly played forward for the Wildcats from 1954-58, establishing himself as the team's leading scorer and rebounder during that time. Rory D. Sparrow was a four-year starter at point guard from 1976-80 and is a member of Villanova's 1,000 point club. He was drafted into the NBA in 1980, where he played 12 years. Also inducted into the Hall of Fame was coach Rollie Massimino. Massimino coached 19 years on the Main Line, leading the Wildcats to nine NCAA Tournament appearances and one national championship in 1985.

Representing football were four distinguished athletes. David R. Intrabartolo was a two-way performer for the Wildcats from 1956-59, averaging 75 rushing yards and 50 minutes of playing time per game. As quarterback for the Wildcats from 1969-71, Andrew J. Gordon passed for 2,370 yards and 21 toushdowns. His 2,387 yards of total offense ranks eighth among all-time Villanova records. Sean P. Collins was a four-year starter at defensive back from 1974-78 and was captain of the team in 1977. Howie Long played defensive line for the Wildcats from 1978-82 and earned All-East honors in his senior year. A high draft choice of the Oakland Raiders, he spent 13 years in the NFL, being selected for the Pro Bowl 10 times.

Three inductees, Andrew P. O'Reilly, Glen Bogue and Joanne Kehs Conte, were inducted for their achievements in track and field. O'Reilly was a three-time All-American at the middle distances from 1967-70 and was a member of the 1968 NCAA Championship indoor track team. Bogue was a member of the Wildcat distance medley relay team that set a world indoor record in the 1976 Mason-Dixon Games. He was also a 1978 NCAA champion and a member of the 1976 Canadian Olympic team. Kehs Conte earned NCAA Division I All-America honors five times from 1983-86. She was also a five time ECAC champion and 11-time Big East champion.

Robert Loscatzo, representing baseball, played from 1979-81, amassing a .424 career batting average, including 81 runs, 94 RBI and 15 home runs. In 1980, his best year, he batted .479 with a .838 slugging percentage.

A stellar performer in the 200-yard backstroke and individual medly events, Donald V. Reed helped to pioneer swimming and build Villanova's program from 1958-62. In 1962 he was captain of the team, leading it to its first ever NCAA Championship, where he took 200-yard backstroke honors.

Men's soccer upsets No. 15 Notre Dame, 2-1

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
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The Villanova men's soccer team ended its week improving its record with a tie against the University of Pittsburgh and a win against nationally ranked Notre Dame. The Wildcats' overall record now stands at 4-6-3, while their Big East record is 2-5-3 and their Philadelphia Soccer Seven record is 2-0-0.

On Oct. 18 at home, the Cats battled the Pittsburgh Panthers to an overtime 3-3 tie. Pittsburgh started the scoring three minutes into the game with a goal from Dean Astorino. Late in the first half the Cats would bounce back on a goal by senior Mike Paskey.

"Paskey was very active," said Head Coach Larry Sullivan, who also named Paskey the Man of the Match. "He had one beautiful goal."

At halftime the score was at a dead 1-1 tie. Twenty six minutes into the second half, the Panthers took the lead with a goal from Billy Hicks. The Cats were able to capitalize and tie things up again with a penalty kick from Paul Miraglia. At the end of regulation both teams were deadlocked at two.

Five minutes into the first overtime, Pittsburgh was able to take the lead for the third time in the match with a goal from Phil Matilla. The Cats, however, did not give up. During the second overtime period, Jon Correll blasted home a goal off a pass by Connor Porter to tie the game for the third time during this contest. Neither team was able to gain the win after overtime. The game ended at a 3-3 tie bringing 'Nova's record to 3-6-3.

The Cats were on attack much of the game, tallying 19 shots on goal. Freshman goalie Kevin McGeehan started his first game against Pittsburgh and recorded five saves on the day.

Correll, who scored the tying goal, has been a steady offensive presence the entire season for the Cats and now leads the team with eight goals and 18 points.

On Oct. 20, the Cats were greeted by the No. 15 Notre Dame Fighting Irish. This national ranking, however, did not stop Villanova from recording their fourth win of the season by a 2-1 margin.

The Cats came out strong in the first half. Senior midfielder Miraglia's scored his third goal of the season three minutes into the game. Miraglia goal was assisted by Correll. At 20:30 in the first half, 'Nova was able to record a second goal, this time off the foot of Paskey with the help of Miraglia. The Cats now had a commanding 2-0 lead over the Irish.

With two minutes left in regulation, the Fighting Irish were able to end the threat of being shutout with a goal from Ryan Turner. Although the Cats were looking for the shutout, they were happy to walk away with a win against a nationally-ranked team.

Goalie Matt Westfall was superb in goal, holding Notre Dame scoreless through 88 minutes. He had ten saves on the day.

For his effort for the week of Oct. 13, Paul Miraglia was named Big East Offensive Player of the week and Co-Player of the Week in the Philadelphia Soccer Seven. He scored a goal in the 3-3 tie with Pitt and netted another goal and an assist in the Cats' 2-1 win over No. 15 ranked Notre Dame.

"The team is playing well," stated Sullivan. "We must keep this effort going."

The Cats will now look to improve their record to qualify for the Big East Tournament. Villanova has two contests this week at home on Oct. 27 against Rutgers at 1 p.m. and on Oct. 31 against Philadelphia Textile at 3 p.m.

FILE PHOTO

Had Villanova been founded in Europe, the "football" team would have defeated Notre Dame. Now that would have been an accomplishment.

Field hockey drops matches to Syracuse and Duke

By J. BRIAN SEIDEL
Staff Reporter

It has been a tough season for the field hockey team. It has lost eight of itslast nine games, including two last week to Syracuse and Duke.

"We didn't play with intensity for the full 70 minutes," Head Coach Joanie Milhous said of the game against Syracuse. "They wanted it more than we did."

The Wildcats struck first against the Orange. Senior Jill Basile scored with 14 minutes remaining in the first half to give the Cats the 1-0 lead. Syracuse scored a goal with about five and a half minutes to go in the opening period to tie the game going into the locker rooms.

The second half was all Orange. The Cats were outshot in the period 19-3. Syracuse took the lead with a little more than 18 minutes remaining. Syracuse iced the game with another goal about five minutes later, making it a 3-1 final.

"We played great in the first half," Milhous said. "We just lost the momentum going into the second."

Goalie Sarah Wiggin did all she could, saving 15 shots. Milhous was also pleased with the play of senior co-captain Allison Parks.

"Allison gave 110 percent," said Milhous. "She wouldn't give in to Syracuse. She did everything we asked her to do."

After the Syracuse match, the Cats then faced off against No. 12 Duke. Again, the team had a great first half, but they lost the momentum in the second.

"We were ready to play them," Milhous said. "We practiced hard all week, emphasizing our intensity. They were coming in on a high."

The game remained scoreless through the first half. Duke took the lead 1-0 with a little over 28 minutes remaining in the game. Freshman Gina Rossi capitalized on a penalty stroke to tie the score at 1-1. One minute later, however, the Blue Devils took the lead 2-1 and went on to score three more times en route to a 5-2 win over the Cats. 'Nova's other goal was scored by Jill Basile, her 17th of year.

"We were intense and ready for this game," Milhous said. "We had a lot of confidence in ourselves. We gave it our all for the full 70 minutes."

If their losing streak was not enough, the Cats were also stung by the injury bug. Sophomore Karen Baldwin is out indefinitely with a stress fracture in both legs. Also, freshman Clare Turkington is out with an injured finger.

"We hope to have Clare back for the [James Madison] game," said Milhous. "We really miss her defensive skills and her passing ability."

In light of the outcomes, Milhous pulled some positives out of the week. She was very pleased with the play of freshman Beth Graybill, who started as the right midfielder.

"Beth really stepped up," said Milhous. "She's improved in practice and she showed that she deserves to be in the lineup."

Freshman Gina Rossi had two strong games as the starting sweeper. She had a chance to score on penalty strokes in both games. After missing one against Syracuse, Milhous decided to give her another chance against Duke. This time, the freshman came through.

"I had all the confidence in the world in her," Milhous said. "She also had a lot of confidence in herself, and it showed. She has great defensive skills."

Senior Michele Rossetti also gave the coaching staff something to be happy about.

"Michele really picked her game up," said Milhous. "She's starting to give us another much needed offensive threat. We need a few more people to step up."

The Cats need to build on these strong efforts and come up with a win. The team plays its last home game this Sunday against James Madison before taking on conference foe Georgetown on Oct. 29.

PHOTO BY EJUN CONNELLY

The field hockey team will try to turn its recent signs of improvement into wins. They will need to somehow ignite the struggling offense.

Composite Schedule for Home Games

Sun., Oct. 2	M. Soccer vs. Rutgers	1 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 30	W. Soccer vs. WVU	3 p.m.
Thur., Oct. 31	M. Soccer vs. Textile	3 p.m.
	Volleyball vs. Seton Hall	7:30 p.m.

Men's golf finishes 18th at St. John's

By JAMIE NOONAN
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Coming off its strong performance at the Big East Championships, the golf team looked to continue its momentum into the St. John's McGlaughlin Championship. The 24-team tournament was held at the Bethpage Golf Course in Bethpage, N.Y., which will be the site of the 2002 U. S. Open.

The Wildcats finished the two-day tournament in a two-way tie for 18th place with Columbia University. The team registered a combined total score of 663 (340/323). Temple University took first prize with a total of 602 (305/297).

Once again the freshmen played well while leading the Wildcats. Freshman Peter Dlugosch finished in a nine-way tie for 44th place. One stroke behind was freshman Dugan Condon who finished tied for 53rd with a two day total of 163 (82/81).

Following Condon was Jon Grinnon who shot a 169 (87/82) to place 81st. One stroke behind were Simon Tuohy and Jeff Shookus who tied for 86th place with a total of 170.

"It was a really hard course and it was a quality field," commented Shookus after the tournament. "We played well, but we were preoccupied with midterms and exams. All in all we played pretty well."

Wanting to improve on their performance, the team headed into the 17-team Stabler Invitational held at the Center Valley Club. To say the team did better would be an understatement. The Cats finished in second place (322), three strokes behind the University of Pennsylvania (319). A second Villanova team entered in the tournament finished in 14th place with a score of 348.

Once again Condon shot the low score for 'Nova with a two-day total of 79 (40/39) that put him in a four-way tie for sixth place. Dlugosch and Tim Walker were not far behind with 80 (41/39) and 81 (39/42), respectively. Juniors Steve Horky and Grinnon rounded out the first team for Villanova with an 82 and an 84. That put Horky in a five-way tie for 21st place and Grinnon in an 11-way tie for ninth place.

While the second team did not fare quite as well as the first team, it was a good opportunity for some guys who had not yet had a chance to play in a tournament to see some action. Freshman Lance Rhodes shot the low score with a total score of 86, finishing in a tie for 47th place. Close behind were freshman John Tramonte (87/tie 51st), junior Greg O'Conner (87/tie 51st), freshman Anthony Napoleonato (88/tie 56th) and sophomore Simon Tuohy (89/tie 59th).

The weekend did not end for the team as five golfers headed off to the Farleigh Dickinson Invitational that was played Sunday through Tuesday. Results were unavailable at press time. The Cats will have their last tournament of the Fall when they head to the James Madison Invitational this weekend.

S P O R T S

William and Mary stuffs Cats, 30-21

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The play of the Wildcats matched the weather last Saturday. Both were ugly.

Despite jumping out to an early two-touchdown lead, Villanova was unable to hold off a William and Mary defensive onslaught, eventually yielding 30-21 on a damp and chilly afternoon at Villanova Stadium.

The Wildcats were offensively stagnant against William and Mary, despite coming into the game averaging 404 yards and 39 points per contest. The Tribe stymied 'Nova's running attack, setting a new team record by pushing the Cats to minus 39 yards rushing. In total, the Tribe held Villanova to only 200 yards of total offense, the Cats lowest output all season.

"They were better than us today," said Head Coach Andy Talley.

"Their defense overpowered our offense and we didn't have the answers."

With the rushing game ineffective, the William and Mary defense focued on the pass, forcing Wildcat quarterback Clint Park to go 15 of 35 for 239 yards with one interception. "There wasn't a big threat from their running game," said William and Mary Head Coach Jimmye Laylock. "That makes it a little easier to play the pass."

The lack of a Wildcat running attack also allowed the Tribe's defensive lineman to apply pressure on Park. The Wildcat offensive line, which had been solid throughout the season, could not hold back the William and Mary rush, allowing 10 sacks along with numerous hurries and hits. These sacks, which are included in the rushing totals, led to the minus 39-yard output.

"It's been a long time since I've been hit that many times," Park said.

The Wildcats also had their problems on the defensive side of the ball, allowing the Tribe to amass 194 yards rushing and 279 yards passing. With the balanced attack that kept the 'Nova defense on its heels most of the game, William and Mary's offense was able to control the ball for almost two-thirds of the game.

Part of the problem on defense could be attributed to injury, as starting defensive lineman Chris Machovina and starting linebacker Jason Gattuso did not play. Both Machovina and Gattuso have anchored Villanova's defense this season.

"I know we would have trouble stopping their offense because they are good," said Talley, "but also because we have some guys hurt. We got dinged at the wrong time."

It appeared as though the Wildcats were going to run away with the victory early, as they scored on their first two possessions. On the second play from scrimmage, Park completed a screen pass to Curtis Sifford for a 77-yard touchdown. The Tribe then coughed up the ball at their own 45-yard line, and Villanova defensive lineman Jason Tenner recovered.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

VU Sifford 77 pass from Park (Keifer kick)

VU Sifford 27 pass from Park (Keifer kick)

Second Quarter

WM Harris 1 run (Shallcross kick)

WM Commons 27 pass from Cook (Shallcross kick)

WM Shallcross 23 field goal

Third Quarter

WM Hamric 3 pass from Cook (Shallcross kick)

VU Dolbin 35 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)

WM Porch 2 run (kick failed)

Five plays later, Park once again hit Sifford on a screen pass--the same pass that went for a touchdown the previous possession--this time for a 27-yard score. At the end of the first quarter, Villanova had a comfortable 14-0 lead.

"We went up 14-0 nothing and I was amazed because we hardly had to work for that," said Talley.

The Tribe, however, would strike back with 17 unanswered points on a touchdown set up by the Park interception and another coming on a five-play, 69-yard drive with 10:40 remaining in the first half.

The Tribe would add a field goal for the three-point advantage heading into the locker room.

William and Mary added to its lead with an early second-half touchdown, but Villanova regained the momentum on the next possession with a five-play, 71-yard drive culminating with Park hitting wideout Josh Dolbin for a touchdown from 35 yards out.

The turning point of the game, however, came on the Tribe's following possession. On a third-and-two play from their own 27-yard line, William and Mary running back Tony Harris was stuffed by Ademole Turner and Sean Goodrich for a seven-yard loss. Villanova, however, was called for a 15-yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for celebrating and William and Mary was given a first down.

"That celebration penalty was the most bizarre call I've ever seen," said Talley.

After the call, theTribe would take control of the game, scoring once more with 3:12 left in the third quarter to clinch the victory.

The Wildcats (5-2, 3-1 Yankee) now find themselves in four-way tie for first in the Yankee conference and are still ranked No. 17 nationally. They now travel to Richmond tomorrow to take on the Spiders.

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The Wildcats lost the battle in the trenches the offensive line allowed the Tribe to sack quarterback Clint Park 10 times. This lack of protection was from a line which has been steady for most of the season.

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Villanova's inability to run the ball was a key factor in the Wildcats' loss as the William and Mary defense was able to focus on the pass.

Women's cross country runs over top-notch competition

By DAVID STOUT
Assistant Sports Editor

The women's cross country team began the season with national championship aspirations. After three dominating performances, the Cats appear to be headed in that direction. In the past few weeks, 'Nova has won meets in Florida and Arizona with relative ease.

On Oct. 5, Villanova won the Walt Disney World Cross Country Classic meet with a score of 29. Dartmouth finished second with a score of 66, one point ahead of third place finisher N.C. State. As in their first meet of the season, the Cats placed five runners in the top 10. Sophomore Kristine Jost again led the way for Villanova with a third-place finish in a time of 17:04.35. Sophomore Carrie Tollefson turned in a strong performance, finishing sixth in a time of 17:30.87. The other scorers for the Cats were seventh-place finisher freshman Carmen Douma with a time of 17:31.42, sophomore Jurga Marcinkevicuite in eighth place in 17:32.77, and senior Krestena Sullivan in 10th place with a time of 17:38.34. Other Wildcat finishers include Sarah Brandy (42nd), Kate Etter (77th), Jackie Gutter (83rd) and Lon'ye Johnson (92nd).

This past weekend the Cats traveled to Tuscon, Ariz. to compete in the Pre-NCAA Invitational. This meet put 'Nova up against some of the stiffest competition in the country, including Colorado, the No. 2-ranked team in the nation. The Cats once again rose to the occasion and won the meet with a score of 65. Colorado finished a distant second with 103 points and was followed by Wisconsin with 156 points. 'Nova placed three runners in the top 10. True to form, Kristine Jost led the team, finishing in fifth place, crossing the line in 17:54. Not far behind was fellow sophomore sensation Carrie Tollefson in eighth place, recording a time of 18:18. In her third straight top-ten finish, senior Krestena Sullivan ran a 18:21 to finish in ninth place. Carmen Douma and Jurga Marcinkeviciute rounded out the scoring for the Cats with 23rd and 25th place finishes in times of 18:43 and 18:46, respectively. Sarah Brandy, 98th place in 19:47, and Kate Etter, 193rd place in 21:43, also ran for the Cats. It was a significant accomplishment winning a meet with strong competition, but it was also beneficial to get acclimated to the Dell Urich Municipal Golf Course, which is the site of the 1996 Championships.

Nova's dominance this season is largely due to the consistency of the sophomore tandem of Jost and Tollefson and senior Krestena Sullivan. They have led the way by finishing in the top 10 in every meet and set the pace for the rest of the team to follow. Marcinkevicuite and Douma each have two top 10 finishes. Jost, Tollefson and Sullivan, as expected, have been the top performers for the Cats. Coming into the season it was expected that these three would run well, but the terrific season that freshman Carmen Douma is having has been a pleasant surprise. She has finished as 'Nova's fifth, third and fourth runner. Douma, like the rest of the team, has been consistent against increasingly tougher competition.

Despite its youth, the team has come together and is performing at a championship level. The Cats will try to capture the Big East Championship on Nov. 1. 'Nova enters the meet as one of three teams with a chance to win the national championship. Providence and Georgetown, two of the nation's elite programs, figure to make this a highly competitive meet.

Men's tennis competes in ECAC Tournament

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
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The Villanova men's tennis team recently competed in the ECAC (East Collegiate Athletic Conference) Tournament. This tournament involves three singles players and one doubles team. The singles representatives from Villanova were Jerry Prior (senior from San Diego, California), Pat Shallcross (senior from Summit, New Jersey), and Rich Young (junior from Easton, Pennsylvania). The doubles team consisted of two juniors, Rob Campbell (Coral Gables, Florida) and Jay Kennedy (West Chester, Pennsylvania).

Jerry Prior, No. 1, won his first match against Central Connecticut but lost his second round match to Seton Hall. The No. 2 player, Pat Shallcross, also won his first round match against St. Joseph's, but he was defeated in the second round by St. Peter's. The third Villanova seed, Rich Young, won his first round match against LaSalle. In the second round he lost to Farleigh Dickinson.

The doubles team of Rob Campbell and Jay Kennedy played very well. They won the ECAC doubles crown by defeating Stoneybrook, Towson State, LaSalle, College of New Jersey (formerly Trenton State) and Bucknell in the final match.

The men's tennis team will begin its regular season in the spring.

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Leaders of the Pack

Williams and Lawson have grown together as players and as men.

By RYAN SCHALK
Staff Columnist

A little over three years ago, two raw, unpolished blue-chip basketball recruits from the city of Philadelphia decided to break the norm. They decided to come to Villanova's plush Main Line haven and don the blue and white.

In Philadelphia, there is an unwritten rule concerning great high school hoopsters: don't come to Villanova. The wealthy suburban school is supposedly too far out of touch for city folk. According to them, the University is not in the real world. It is supposedly too sheltered from the day-to-day turmoil of the city of Philadelphia.

Jason Lawson and Alvin Williams shunned this tradition. Now, most 'Nova fans are certainly glad they did. Both were outstanding high school players, and both were recruited heavily from schools across the nation as city schools such as Temple and national powerhouses such as Georgia Tech were in the running for these two talents.

The two knew each other before they came to Villanova, but when Williams, from Germantown Academy, became the first prep player from the city of Philadelphia to sign with Villanova since 1973 and Lawson, from Olney High School, soon following, a true friendship was born.

"With [Williams] signing first and by me following, it kind of opened up the pipeline for Philadelphia recruits," said Lawson. "Before Al signed it was hard to get a Philadelphia recruit to come out here."

Taken under the wing of point guard and Philadelphia native Jonathan Haynes when they came to the Main Line, Lawson and Williams were thrown to the lions of the Big East in their inaugural year.

Lawson started, but was often plagued by foul trouble. His intensity and rage on the defensive end of the court was a much-needed asset for the young Cats, but his offensive game seemed rough and his foul shooting was a continuous problem.

Williams did not start for Villanova his freshman year, but he spelled Haynes at the point and often played two guard in a three-guard attack. Like Lawson, his defensive skills were admirable, but he seemed reluctant to showcase some of his offensive skills.

However, Lawson and Williams relied on each other for support through their personal roller-coaster freshman year.

When Lawson got into foul trouble, it was Williams who made his way down the bench to where Lawson was sitting in disbelief to give him a much needed pat on the head and to tell him not to get discouraged.

It was the encouraging words of Lawson that made it to Williams' ears, when the point guard was struggling to find his shot.

Their freshman year served as the foundation for the friendship which has evolved between these roommates, teammates and classmates. Since then, both have flourished at Villanova in Coach Steve Lappas' motion offense.

They are now significant contributors on offense, and they are partly responsible for putting Villanova back on the college basketball map.

Seniors Lawson and Williams are almost inseparable. Wherever one is, the other is close behind. They do almost everything together on and off the court.

"We're like brothers," said Lawson "We do basically everything together off the court, go to class, stuff like that."

"We've grown together a lot," said Williams. "Right now we are just expanding our relationship."

This close-knit relationship also enables the two All-America candidates to have a special on-the-court relationship.

"[Williams'] penetration and his ability to get into the lane and his ability to feed the post has helped me a lot," said Lawson. "[He] feeds me and I turn around and give him a good pass when he's wide open and he's able to knock down the open shot."

Coach Steve Lappas also knows how invaluable their two man game is between the center and point guard.

"Jason is very good at getting the ball back out to the perimeter for an open three," said Lappas. "When [the ball is] going inside, and that guy inside is a good passer, you're going to be a lot better three-point shooting team."

Their unique chemistry and tight relationship allows the two to actually have fun in the pressure packed world of college basketball.

Whether it be blowing by a sleeping opponent with his killer-quick crossover dribble or just being the court general, Williams feels that their one of a kind relationship lets them have a little more fun than most other college basket players.

"We are having fun playing on the court and just hanging [out] off the court," said Williams.

No one can match their desire for excellence and their competitive natures.

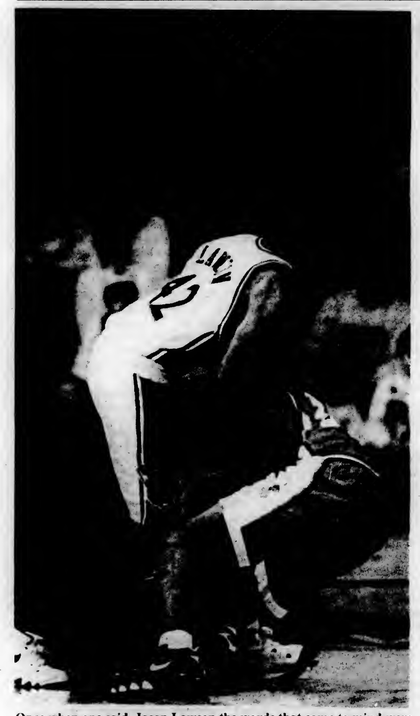
Their attitude is contagious. What these two young men have brought to the Villanova basketball program is immeasurable. Sure they have brought their tremendous basketball skills and talents, but more importantly, they have brought themselves and their charismatic personalities. And through the years they have done it all together.

Next year the Villanova basketball team will have an eerie look to it. No Williams. No Lawson. They have been staples of the program and, throughout their stay here, they have grown together, watching over each other like family members.

"I love [Williams] as a person," claimed Lawson.

Expectations are high for the Villanova basketball team this year. There is more pressure on them, than in past years and much is expected of seniors Lawson and Williams. However, the pressure will not engulf them as long as their special relationship continues to prosper and they continue to have fun playing the game they have both come to love.

Their off-court relationship helps the Wildcats' two senior leaders understand one another on the court.



Once when one said Jason Lawson the words that came to mind were "foul trouble." Now the words that come to mind are NBA Draft.

Williams helps propel Wildcats back into the national spotlight

By JONATHAN KLICK
Preview Editor

A little more than three years ago, senior Alvin Williams became the first Philadelphia-area player to sign with Villanova in over 20 years. Since that time, Williams has helped pull a program from national obscurity into the national spotlight.

"This is where I wanted to be, a winning program, a top 10 program, just advancing every year," Williams said. "We've accomplished a lot of things since I've been here."

After being thrown into the Cats' rotation immediately upon stepping on campus, Williams has made his mark as the consummate point guard, running the offense and sacrificing his own scoring in order to get his teammates the ball. However, after losing the bulk of its scoring in Eric Eberz and Kerry Kittles, Villanova must look to Williams to improve upon his 11 ppg scoring mark from last year.

"I'm still going to be the court general," said Williams. "I know when to score, when not to score. I think I have to score a little bit more, but when it's time for me to step up and score, that's what I'm going to do."

At least in the early stages of the season, before the freshman recruits prove they can put the ball in the hoop, Williams will have more of an incentive to take opposing guards one-on-one with an eye toward scoring rather than dishing off. He has shown that his lightning-quick crossover dribble can free him from almost any defender, leaving him open for an elbow jumper that he seemingly never misses.

Farther from the basket, Williams has shown steady improvement in his long jumper, raising his sophomore year three-point percentage from .263 to last year's mark of .347. In fact, Williams said the biggest improvement in his game since he's been at Villanova has been in his shooting. A big key to the Wildcats' success this year will be Williams' ability to break down zones with his shot and penetration, so opponents cannot just collapse on 'Nova's big men.

"As for the outside, I think we have to prove that we can knock down the outside shot in order for the inside to be effective," said Williams.

By opening things up down low, Williams will be able to get the ball to center Jason Lawson, something Williams has made a priority for the 1996-97 season.

"We have to get the ball inside to our big guys, especially Jason, in order to be successful," said Williams, adding that Lawson will be "the focal point" of the offense.

Besides running things on the court, Williams is definitely a leader off the court as well.

"Whatever the team does this year, it's going to be because of Alvin and Jason," said Coach Steve Lappas. "As good as one of these freshmen play, it's going to be because of how hard they push that kid to play."

Williams has made it one of his duties to help 'Nova's new recruits adjust to playing basketball at the collegiate level. In particular, Williams has been making sure that highly-touted freshman phenom Tim Thomas does not allow the hype surrounding him to ruin his transition to the college game.

"I'm here for him," said Williams. "We've got a lot of guys here for him. You've got to let him know you're not going to back down from him, and you've got to let him know that other teams aren't going to back down from him. We're making him work just like he's one of us."

If the freshmen are able to reach some of their potential, Williams thinks the Wildcats will be a much harder team to defend this year as opposed to last year.

"We can go to different guys on the court, and it'll be harder for teams just to focus on one guy this year," he said.

Given a squad with more scoring options, Williams believes the season will bring success to the Main Line.

"Coach Lappas does a good job every night of preparing us for games," said Williams. "I think we should be competing every night . . . We're going to put pressure on ourselves. If we can't do it this year then we have failed at something."

Time to establish the Law, son

By DON MEIER
Preview Editor

There is a great deal of talk this season about the Cats' loss of Kerry Kittles. Even more has been made of the arrival of Tim Thomas. These are both undoubtedly big stories, but somewhere along the way, everyone seems to be forgetting about someone. The Cats return another super senior this season, 6-foot-11 powerhouse Jason Lawson. Last year he was overshadowed by his All-America teammate. This year it is the diaper dandy. Where is the recognition for Lawson, one of the best centers in the nation?

His offense is characterized by catlike, powerful post moves. He plays defense as well as anyone in the country. When an ill-advised shot is launched, he will often deposit it in the fifth row.

He is also a fiery team leader. He is everything that a center should be. Yet one magazine printed six All-America teams and did not deem Lawson worthy of a spot on any of them. This is not unusual. It's typical.

Villanova's Head Coach Steve Lappas is obviously disappointed by the lack of respect for Lawson from the local and national media.

"I think it's a shame," Lappas said. "I think he's underappreciated, without question."

Lawson, on the other hand, will not acknowledge that he has not received his due.

"I don't really worry about recognition," Lawson said. "I think if you go out and play hard and do the things that you need to do to help your team win, then I think the recognition will come."

It seems that the coaching staff also forgot about Lawson at times. It was hard not to notice it last season. When the Cats were involved in a struggle in a pivotal late-season game, they would consistently go to the outside looking for Kittles or Eberz on the perimeter. As illustrated by the Cats' early tourney exit against Louisville, this did not always work out.

The facts are that Lawson shot over 62 percent from the field last season, yet he averaged only seven shots per game. It was very apparent that the Cats had a deadly weapon that they did not utilize enough.

Lappas tends to attribute his center's lack of involvement in the offense at times to Lawson's propensity for getting into foul trouble, which was especially common early last season.

"Jason's problem is never when he's in the game," Lappas said. "Jason's problem is when he's not in the game."

It is still hard to ignore a game like the Cats' first mathchup against UConn in Storrs last season. Lawson came out for the second half and was unstoppable. He shot perfectly from the field in the half and collected 22 points on the night. Yet he was forgotten during a comeback midway through the half.

"I think that last year we had a great perimeter, as we will this year, I hope," Lawson said. "But this year I think we'll work the ball more into the post and then out. That will create more shots for the perimeter players."

This is where Lawson's total lack of selfishness shows itself. He thinks only of the team. He is the consummate leader. This was something that was missing last season. There seemed to be a lack of consistent, vocal leadership on the court. Lawson and Philly classmate Alvin Williams seem to be ready to step in and fill that void.

"I think we're as vocal as we need to be for the team," Lawson said. "[We'll] kind of lead by example and if something happens during the course of the game that we need to be a little more vocal then we'll do it.

"I just try and go out and play as hard as I can," Lawson said, "and I try to get everybody else on the team to do the same thing. It's all about the team right now."

Lawson *is* all about team. More accurately, he's all about winning. The obvious goal for this team is to make a trip to the Final Four and come back with the trophy, but you will not catch him coasting through the regular season.

"We just take it a game at a time and hope that good things will happen," Lawson said.

Some perceive Tim Thomas to be the savior that will push the Cats over the top. While Thomas is an incredible talent, Lawson is clear when he says that Thomas is not the savior. While Lawson is impressed with Thomas, he believes that he still has to become one with the system.

"We're just trying to bring him along, basically," Lawson commented. "We want to try to get him into the mode of playing hard all the time and going out and working people."

Lawson believes that Thomas' presence will help take some of the pressure off of him in the post. He also noted that his penetration, along with that of Williams and John Celestand, will help create more open shots all over the court.

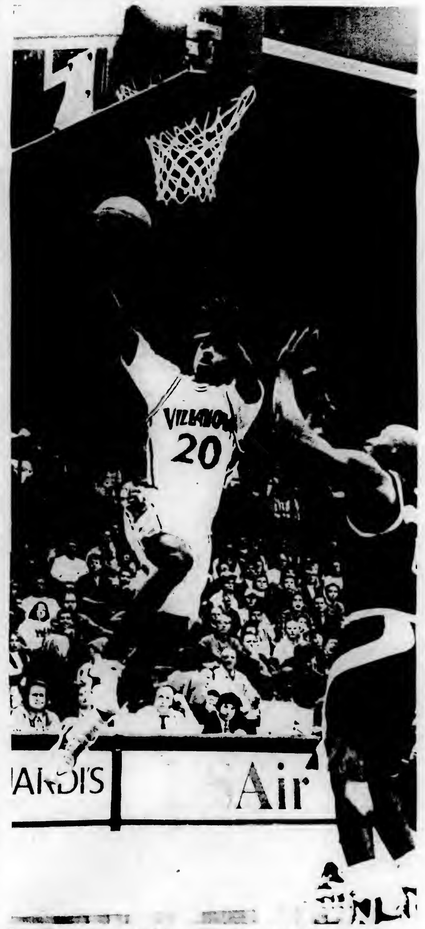
It is apparent that Lawson, along with Williams, will be the heart and soul of this year's title contender.

"He's our leader," Lappas said. "He's our emotional leader. He's our center. He just plays so hard. He brings that kind of attitude to the table every day. He just brings a tremendous amount to the team."

With Lawson at the center of what may be the best frontcourt in the country, look for him to bust out this year and get the long overdue recognition that he so rightfully deserves.

"He'll have a chance to show what he does," Lappas said.

If all goes well for the Cats, everyone will be able to see him showcase his talents in Indianapolis in April.



Sorry Dave. Alvin just left Simon, Theodore and all other would-be defenders in the dust with his lightning-quick penetration.

Doubting Thomas? Not for long, Wildcat fans

To the delight of coaches and fans alike, the much sought-after Tim Thomas moves his aerial act down the turnpike to duPont Pavillion.

By JOE PATTERSON
Preview Editor

He's been called everything from a superstar to a savior, but Tim Thomas is simply another kid who plays basketball. It's just that he plays it really really well.

He possesses a 6-foot-10 frame and can play the post or shoot the lights out. He's quick and an exceptional shot blocker and can pass like a point guard.

He caught Coach Steve Lappas' eye as a freshman in high school and he caught the NBA's eye a few years later. Ultimately, he chose to temporarily forgo millions of dollars to attend Villanova.

Even now, it seems as though his stay at the Main Line could be short-lived, with a jump to the NBA possible after each season.

"He's never said that," said Lappas. "He's never said it to me."

And yet, less than fifty yards away, Thomas admitted, "I'm gonna take it one year at a time, step by step, to see what's really going to happen."

Even his mother, who pushed Thomas toward college, conceded in an interview with a national magazine that "I can't see him staying for four years."

Ultimately, Thomas believes he won't leave unless he can be relatively assured of being selected as one of the top five picks in the draft. Kobe Bryant, a local high school superstar who jumped to the professional ranks, went 13th in this past draft.

"I'm happy for those guys, but I'm still going to wait," said Thomas.

His mother had a little assistance from Scottie Pippen of the Chicago Bulls, who helped convince Thomas to take advantage of college. For now, Thomas is quite satisfied with his decision.

"I love it here," he said. "I can't complain. I'm just having fun for now."

He mentioned how the students have made him feel welcome, but he also likes how he has fit in with the team.

"The team is getting along together. We go at it hard in practice, but once we're off the court, we're like brothers."

Thomas admired the chemistry of Villanova's team before he got here, and it appears as though he hasn't upset this stability with the fanfare that inevitably follows him.

Before even stepping foot on a college court, he was the subject of an extensive three page spread in *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, detailing the most minute aspects of his recruitment. And while all of those details are interesting, 'Nova fans want to know what to expect on the court this year.

One thing is for sure: it doesn't appear that he'll be slowly worked into the system.

"We didn't bring Jason [Lawson] along slowly," said Lappas. "We didn't bring Alvin [Williams] along slowly. I'm not going to say he's going to start right now, but there's no reason to bring him along slowly if he's ready to got out and play."

It appears as though Thomas will slip nicely into the spot vacated by Eric Eberz. Depending upon the development of the other freshmen and the play of some of the sophomores, he could move to the two-guard. He's simply that versatile.

In fact, versatility is Thomas' self-proclaimed hallmark. When asked if there was anything he couldn't do, he responded that he could improve his golf game. In any event, he should fit in perfectly with Villanova's motion offense. While Lawson or Chuck Kornegay sometimes look awkward handling the ball at the top of the key, Thomas seems right at home 20 feet from the hoop.

"Right now, I don't have a clue [about what I'll be doing]," said Thomas. "Whatever [Coach Lappas] wants me to do--if it's going up and kissing his mom in the stands, whatever."

While Williams and Lawson provide the foundation for the team, Thomas could quickly become the go-to man. For now, the pressure doesn't seem to faze him.

"I haven't seen any change since the first day he stepped on campus for the first day of school and classes," said Williams. "There's a lot of pressure on him, but it's a team effort."

"It's gonna get worse," predicted Thomas, but he appears to be entirely comfortable in practice.

He dives for loose balls and gives Lappas belly-bumps after particularly nice plays.

"He's that kind of kid," said Lappas. "He's really having a good time right now."

Despite Thomas' celebrity status, Lappas sees room for improvement in his shooting and stamina. Thomas admits he still has some adjusting to do.

"It's a big jump," said Thomas. "I'm just going to get used to it."

"I think he'll give all he can," said Lawson. "What I've seen in practice is that he has the potential."

As a senior at Paterson Catholic in New Jersey, Thomas' average game included nearly 30 points, 12 boards and five blocked shots.

But the days of playing against undersized 17 and 18-year olds are gone. So too are the days of hanging out at the mall.

"I haven't been out. I haven't been to the mall. I haven't really had a chance to see the area."

Apparently, Thomas will gladly accept these sacrifices if it means a deep drive into the NCAA Tournament. At 19 years of age, he hopes to have fun along the way.

Kornegay muscles up for senior year

By CALISTA HARDEN
Preview Reporter

Threatening presence, physical power, intensity--Kornegay. Senior power forward Chuck Kornegay will be a formidable force in the paint this season.

He has one full season as a Wildcat under his belt now after transferring from North Carolina State in 1994 and is ready for the competition. Kornegay has recovered from the plaguing ankle injuries of last year and is going to step up and show how basketball is played.

"This year being a senior I have to be more of a leader," said Kornegay. "Now I have to show the young guys what to do."

Hopefully, Kornegay's presence on defense, power on offense and intensity on all ends will lead the Wildcats to many victories.

Kornegay's threatening presence is evident as he goes toe-to-toe on the defensive end. The 6-foot-9, 240 pound banger in the paint will block, steal and rebound the way to a win. Just ask Boston College's First-Team All-Big East post player, Danya Abrams. Abrams only scored ten points, less than half of his average, against Kornegay last year. The contest against BC this season should again show the competition between Kornegay and Abrams.

"Abrams and I are a little bit of arch rivals," said Kornegay. "We have been going at it for a while."

Kornegay went at it on several occasions last season, posting a career high three blocks against Providence in the Big East Tournament and a record three steals against Providence in February.

His talent inside will set off sparks on the offense, too. Kornegay averaged 6.3 ppg and 4.8 rpg, and he is bound for improvement as a healthy player.

"I want to a more consistent player this year whether it be scoring, re-

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After recovering from nagging injuries of a year ago, Kornegay is set to reemerge as a physical presence on the court.

Penn is mightier than the sword

By JONATHAN KLICK
Preview Editor

He may not do the kinds of things that show up in the daily box scores, but senior forward Zeffy Penn is the kind of player every coach wants on his team. Despite scoring fewer than 5.0 ppg last year, Penn's play caused CBS-TV analyst Billy Packer to call him the "best sixth man in the country."

Simply put, Penn is a player who knows his role and does not make mistakes. Add to that a scrappiness that allows the 6-foot-6, 195-pounder to out rebound opponents that are much bigger than he, and you have a player who might very well have been a starter on most teams around the country.

"I don't know if I'm going to start or come off the bench," said Penn. "I feel more comfortable coming off the bench like I did last year . . . We all have a role on the team, and everybody contributes to the same thing. It's not a one-man team, and we all do things together. I'm ready to step up this year and do the things similar to last year."

Despite his experience and solid play, due to 'Nova's bumper crop of blue chippers in the frontcourt, Penn might actually find himself fighting for minutes with Malik Allen and Tim Thomas. Penn, however, has put a positive spin on this situation.

"I think it's a good problem because every time we're out there playing, each player's going to be out there trying to prove himself by working hard and doing the things he has to do to get that position," said Penn.

In fact, in order to help the team, Penn has made it a priority of his to help the freshmen in their transition to the college game. It is that kind of unselfish dedication to the team concept that has been Penn's trademark.

Because of Villanova's abundance of talent, rumors circulated that Coach Lappas had asked Penn to redshirt this year so he would be available for next year's team which will have no senior leadership. Penn denied these rumors.

"Coach hasn't come to me about that, so if he is, he is, but we have to talk about that on a one-to-one basis," said Penn.

However, Penn did say he is looking forward to a successful year for himself and for the team, but he is not willing to make any predictions.

"Right now, we're just looking forward to take it one day at a time and see what happens when we get to the Tournament," said Penn. "I think we're going to have a good season this year, and we're all going to come together when it's time to come together."

Zeffy Penn may no longer have cool hair, but his hard-nosed style of play and stylish tube socks still make him a fan favorite.

The Cats' fearless leader faces life after Kerry

By JON NEHLSEN
Preview Editor

Villanova basketball Coach Steve Lappas should consider himself lucky. Normally, when a team which was ranked as high as No. 2 in the polls loses in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, the coach is on the proverbial hot seat. Normally, when a college basketball team loses its two leading scorers to graduation, the coach is under tremendous pressure. Normally, when a coach manages to improve his team's record in each of his first four seasons, but fails to make any real noise in March, his coaching competence comes under immense scrutiny. But at a recent press conference, there was not a single question about last year's season-ending loss to Louisville. Even more surprising was that there were few questions about the departure of Eric Eberz and Kerry Kittles. Rather, almost every reporter wanted to know about one thing. The kid. The savior. Tim Thomas.

"He's a good kid as well as a good athlete," said Lappas. "He really seems to fit in well and is having a good time right now."

Despite Lappas' apparent desire to downplay the situation, the recruiting of Tim Thomas caused a great deal of off-season controversy. Lappas denies rumors that he recruited the high school phenom with the knowledge that Thomas would move to the NBA after playing only one year of college ball. In addition, he denies any connection between signing Thomas and hiring of Thomas' high school coach, Jim Salmon.

"[Coach Salmon] will fulfill the roles of any other assistant coach," Lappas said. "He is in charge of films right now; he will run the study hall and do some on-court coaching. He will be doing the same things I was doing when I got here."

But Lappas knows that in order for redemption to be realized, it will need to be a total team effort. He emphasizes the fact that despite his seemingly abrasive coaching style, the team enjoys playing the game. Lappas believes this is a crucial aspect of a winning team and one that most people don't realize exists.

"We have a great bunch of kids right now," Lappas said. "Sometimes during the season, when I get on [the players], people don't realize that we have another side. We have a lot of fun."

With his raspy voice and excitable court side manner, Lappas' persona is one of a stressed out, high-strung, middle-aged basketball coach. His off-the-court demeanor, however, is surprisingly relaxed and quite disarming. When asked if he feels unusual pressure to succeed this season after the last two years' inauspicious endings, the coach quickly dispels the suggestion.

"To be honest with you, I am going to be here no matter what," Lappas explained. "I think it is funny when I hear that stuff about pressure. I just signed a five-year contract and we are going to try to win this thing just like we do every year."

If Lappas is to find a National Championship trophy on his mantle in March, he believes it will arrive on the shoulders of his two senior leaders, Jason Lawson and Alvin Williams. Lappas started a coup at Villanova when he recruited the tandem in 1993. They were Villanova's first Philadelphia area recruits in over 20 years and have been major contributors since the first day they stepped on the court for Lappas.

"They are just super kids," Lappas said. "They play hard every second and are tremendous leaders. They have done a terrific job taking over this team."

Lappas knows that his team has more than just new leadership. The entire complexion of the team is changed as it enters the 1996-97 campaign. In years past, the motion offense was used to free things up on the perimeter for Kittles and Eberz. The Wildcats were at their best when they were draining the three-point shot. This would, in turn, open things up in the middle for Jason Lawson.

This year, on the other hand, perimeter shooting is a very large question mark, while the inside game should be dominant. Though he believes that Howard Brown and John Celestand will reap the benefits of intense off-season practice, Lappas realizes that neither is truly battle-tested.

"This team is not as good a three-point shooting team as last year's," Lappas admitted. "We will have to make some adjustments when it comes to those types of things."

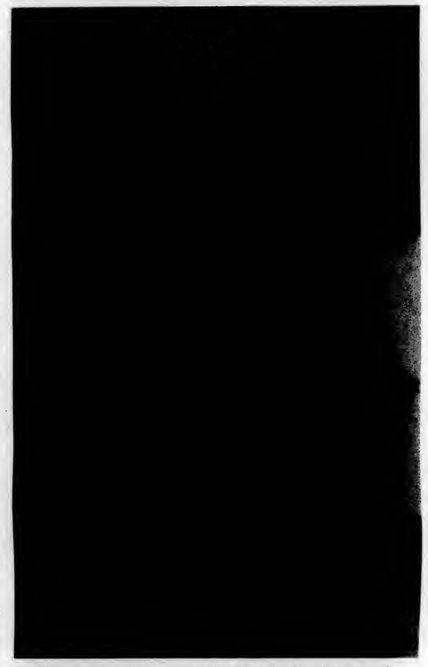
"I think we have capable three-point shooters, but they are not guys who have ever really done it before."

Lappas has been particularly impressed by the long-range talents of freshmen recruits T.J. Caouette and Brian Lynch.

"We want the freshman to learn about playing hard," Lappas said. "Talented high school kids sometimes don't know about playing hard because things came so easy to them in high school."

An interesting aspect of the Kittless Cats is that there are not any juniors on the team. The team has four seniors, three sophomores and four freshman.

"It is a real strange mix," Lappas explained. "We either have very experienced guys or we have a lot of inexperienced guys. The sophomores aren't all that experienced, so it is an interesting mix and it makes coaching a lot of fun."



The always irrepressible Lappas takes aim at his favorite target, the man in black and white. After all, it's never the Wildcats' fault.

'Nova again harvests a bumper crop of new talent

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Much has been made of the arrival of Tim Thomas on campus this season, and rightfully so. He has the best reputation of any recruit in the history of the school, being ranked as the No.1 freshman in the country. Steve Lappas landed more blue chippers than just Thomas this year, however. It is the extraordinary high quality and depth of this class that makes it the most heralded group of freshmen in the school's history. Even before Thomas signed, Villanova's head coach had already put together an outstanding collection of prep stars.

Being the artist of this masterpiece, Lappas will be the first to acknowledge this fact.

"I'm very pleased with this freshman class," Lappas said, "and I'm not just talking about Tim Thomas. He's obvious. I think they're all going to be good to very good players."

The second-most highly regarded player in the class is Malik Allen from Shawnee High School in Medford, N.J. At 6-foot-10, 240 pounds, he has the size and strength to bang down low in the Big East trenches. He comes to Villanova with a lengthy list of credentials, including the honor of being named South Jersey player of the year his final two seasons. He also guided his team to three Group IV state championships along the way.

While playing for a team that is perennially among the best in the nation, Allen had a chance to play against big-time players in his state playoffs and holiday tournaments. He also spent the summer playing in the prestigious Sonny Hill League against other top-flight college players. This has undoubtedly made his learning curve less steep than some of his classmates.

"I think I'm adjusting pretty well," Allen said. "[Playing in the Sonny Hill League] helped me a little bit to get used to the banging and the physicalness that I'm going to face in the Big East."

After being the go-to guy at Shawnee, Allen doesn't think he'll have a problem getting used to just being a piece of the puzzle at Villanova.

"I think I can give them some minutes down low to help Chuck [Kornegay] and Jay [Lawson] out," Allen said. "I can rebound, score inside, play defense, just do whatever it takes to help the team win by scrapping down low."

The addition of Allen's toughness in the middle will make an already outstanding frontcourt even better..

With the loss of Kerry Kittles and Eric Eberz, there is a noticeable void on the perimeter. At least one consistent shooter needs to step up for the Cats, being that this is the most glaring weakness on a team.

Brian Lynch, a 6-foot-6, 185-pounder from the Christian Brothers Academy in Lincroft, N.J., could be the man for the job. He led his team to a Parochial Group A state championship as a junior and was named second-team all-state as a senior.

The strong points of Lynch's game are exactly what the Cats are lacking.

"I'm most effective when I'm moving without the ball and getting open shots," Lynch said, "because I think that the best part of my game is shooting."

While his quickness, ballhandling and shooting may be impressive, he knows that he needs to get stronger to become a player who can battle at both ends of the court. This becomes apparent to him when he sees multiple screens on defense.

"There's really no excuse," Lynch commented. "You've got to get through those screens. It's all strength. I need to become a stronger player so I don't get pushed around as much."

Lynch realizes that when he's in the game he will be expected to make the open shots.

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Lynch has apparently adapted well to the system, as he has been working out with the first team. Some have compared Lynch to Eric Eberz because of his deft shooting touch. Don't sell him short, though. Lynch has also displayed a knack for putting the ball on the floor. If he can indeed stick it, expect to see a lot of him this season.

Lappas also corralled another shooter this year. Winthrop High School's T.J. Caouette is a veritable Maine legend. Caouette (6-foot-7, 215 pounds) was named Maine's Mr. Basketball and was four-time consensus all-state by every Maine newspaper. He was also 1996 Gatorade New England Player of the Year. As a senior, Caouette's numbers were frightening: 34.5 ppg, 14.2 rpg, 4.3 steals per game and 3.5 blocks per game. An all-around athletic talent, Caouette was also Maine's individual golf champ and competed in track and field.

While his numbers are very impressive anywhere, they did come against some weak competition. Unlike Allen and Lynch, Caouette never saw another big-time college basketball player until he attended the Nike recruiting camp the summer prior to his senior season.

"It's hard to describe this," Caouette said of his transition to college ball at 'Nova. "It's a whole new world for me. It's a huge step. Everyone's just taller, quicker and better. It's pretty difficult for me. I'm just going out and giving 100 percent all the time."

His coach does see the results of Caouette's outstanding work ethic in practice. Lappas has been quoted as saying that Caouette is "beating the hell" out of Thomas in practice, adding that he might be the toughest player in his class.

Caouette's difficult adjustment may make it tougher for him to find his minutes than it will be for Allen and Lynch. But if he can find his stroke when it counts, he might be the one who hauls some of the load on the perimeter.

These three freshmen agree that they have forged a great relationship with each other.

"They're all so down to earth, and that's a big part of being a team," Allen said.

"We all get along well off the court and on," Caouette added. "It's pretty crucial that we all get along together as a team, just to create the chemistry that we need."

"They work well and we work well together," said Lynch of his classmates. "I think we're going to be real good as we progress this year. I'm excited to see what's going to happen."

Allen, Lynch and Caouette were all ranked nationally among the top 75 basketball players in their class. They were all good enough to go a lot of places. Instead they are all here together on one of the nation's top teams sharing one common goal: to help win an NCAA Championship this season.

Villanova Wildcats 1996-97 Roster

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15	Malik Allen	6-10	240
31	Rafal Bigus	7-1	270
22	Howard Brown	6-5	200
50	T.J. Caouette	6-7	215
13	John Celestand	6-3	175
40	Chuck Kornegay	6-9	240
42	Jason Lawson	6-11	240
21	Brian Lynch	6-6	185
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3	Tim Thomas	6-10	235
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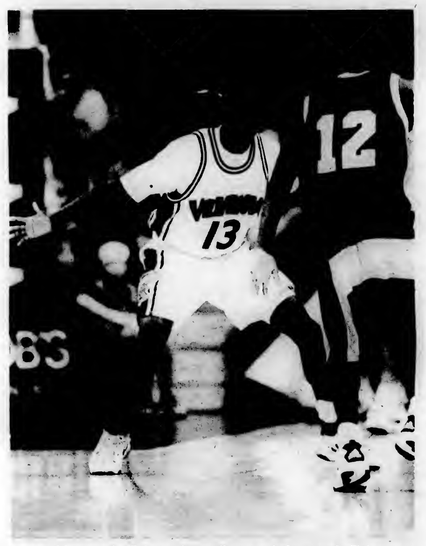

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"Coming into the season as an upperclassman, you know what to expect," Brown said. "I have that on my side and now I know what I need to work on. I can make good decisions in practice."

As a sophomore among a group of many freshman, one might think that there would be added pressure to perform to a higher standard. But victories are more important to Howard Brown than personal glory and he has confidence in his new teammates.

"I know there will be a lot of emphasis on shooting, but I am not going to worry about it, it will come naturally," Brown said. "I will concentrate on making good shots and the other guys will step up. Alvin has really picked up his shooting, the freshman Brian Lynch and John [Celestand] can all shoot. I am just one part of it."

It remains to be seen if he will play the number of minutes he would like this season, but if hard work is any indication, Howard Brown will be on the floor a great deal in the 1996-97 season.

The "Brown Hornet" swarms on opponents with unmatched tenacity.

Big man Bigus adds depth to the 'Nova frontcourt

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An older and wiser Rafal Bigus returns for his second season after receiving some important minutes as a freshman at the center position. The 7-foot-1, 270-pound Polish powerhouse enters this season with experience, which is sure to give the Cats an added advantage.

"I think it's going to be the same role as last year," said Bigus. "Right now, I know what a Big East game is like."

This is obviously not the same player who said a mere 12 months ago, "I'm not used to playing everyday against 6-foot-11 guys like Jay [Lawson]."

Bigus' increased confidence as a player will make him a crucial asset to the team. Looking to improve his 2.8 ppg and 2.2 rpg averages, Bigus will approach this season with a new outlook. "With Jay and Chuck and myself and Malik, we should be alright," said Bigus.

Bigus has an optimistic outlook on the Cats' upcoming season, despite the graduation of senior superstars Kerry Kittles and Eric Eberz. The mammoth center believes that fellow sophomores Howard Brown and John Celestand are capable of knocking down the trifecta, opening up the inside for him and his fellow frontcourt mates.

"Last year, we had Kerry and Eric who were great three-point shooters, but we still have Howard, John and [Brian] Lynch who can shoot really good," said Bigus.

Though he went to high school only a few steps from duPont Pavillion, Bigus' journey to the Villanova has been a long one. He arrived on the Main Line three years ago from Stargard, Poland. He subsequently led the Archbishop Carroll High School Patriots to an impressive 24-4 overall record as a senior, while aiding the team in securing its first Catholic League title in the school's history.

After only two years on the team, Bigus posted 956 career points, ranking him third in Carroll's history behind Tom Dunn and former Wildcat Barry Bekkedam. He was named the Catholic League Southern Division's Most Valuable Player as a junior, and was runner-up for this award as a senior. He averaged 16.3 ppg, 11.3 rpg and 4.6 blocks per game in a league *Sports Illustrated* called the "best in the country."

Bigus lived up to his reputation as a freshman Wildcat, playing in 28 games last season. With a 53.2 shooting percentage, he was second only to Jason Lawson in field-goal accuracy. He posted double figures in scoring four times in the season, including a career-high 11 points versus North Carolina in Maui.

Other collegiate career highlights include scoring eight points on a four-for-eight shooting performance, and a team-high seven rebounds versus Boston College; going six-for-six against the Tar Heels in two games; and pulling in six boards versus St. John's.

It will be difficult for "Biggie" to find minutes this season in the Wildcats' talent-laden frontcourt. However, the sophomore's tendency to come up big in crucial situations will make it difficult for Coach Steve Lappas to forget about No. 31.

Seven-foot-1 worth of blood and guts.

THE BEST IN THE BIG EAST

First Team All-Big East

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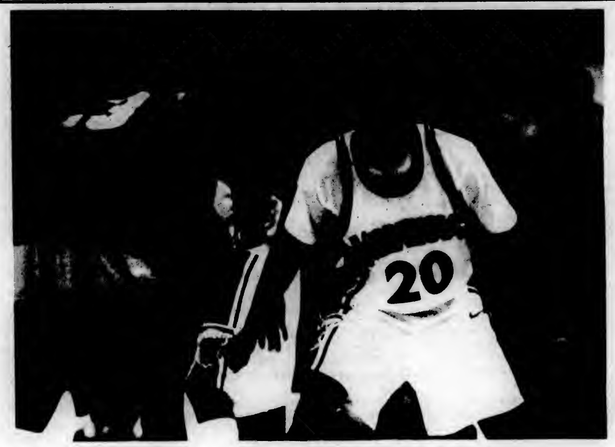

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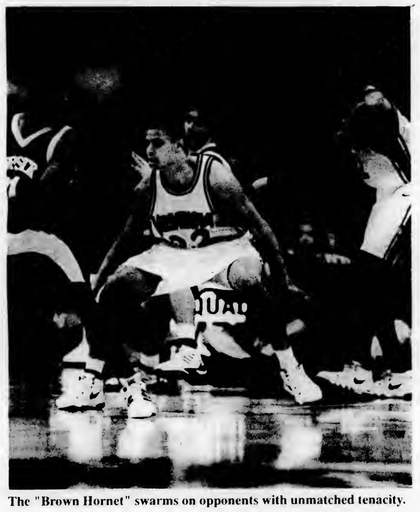
"Coming into the season as an upperclassman, you know what to expect," Brown said. "I have that on my side and now I know what I need to work on. I can make good decisions in practice."

As a sophomore among a group of many freshman, one might think that there would be added pressure to perform to a higher standard. But victories are more important to Howard Brown than personal glory and he has confidence in his new teammates.

"I know there will be a lot of emphasis on shooting, but I am not going to worry about it, it will come naturally," Brown said. "I will concentrate on making good shots and the other guys will step up. Alvin has really picked up his shooting, the freshman Brian Lynch and John [Celestand] can all shoot. I am just one part of it."

It remains to be seen if he will play the number of minutes he would like this season, but if hard work is any indication, Howard Brown will be on the floor a great deal in the 1996-97 season.



The "Brown Hornet" swarms on opponents with unmatched tenacity.

Big man Bigus adds depth to the 'Nova frontcourt

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Preview Reporter

An older and wiser Rafal Bigus returns for his second season after receiving some important minutes as a freshman at the center position. The 7-foot-1, 270-pound Polish powerhouse enters this season with experience, which is sure to give the Cats an added advantage.

"I think it's going to be the same role as last year," said Bigus. "Right now, I know what a Big East game is like."

This is obviously not the same player who said a mere 12 months ago, "I'm not used to playing everyday against 6-foot-11 guys like Jay [Lawson]."

Bigus' increased confidence as a player will make him a crucial asset to the team. Looking to improve his 2.8 ppg and 2.2 rpg averages, Bigus will approach this season with a new outlook. "With Jay and Chuck and myself and Malik, we should be alright," said Bigus.

Bigus has an optimistic outlook on the Cats' upcoming season, despite the graduation of senior superstars Kerry Kittles and Eric Eberz. The mammoth center believes that fellow sophomores Howard Brown and John Celestand are capable of knocking down the trifecta, opening up the inside for him and his fellow frontcourt mates.

"Last year, we had Kerry and Eric who were great three-point shooters, but we still have Howard, John and [Brian] Lynch who can shoot really good," said Bigus.

Though he went to high school only a few steps from duPont Pavilion, Bigus' journey to the Villanova has been a long one. He arrived on the Main Line three years ago from Stargard, Poland. He subsequently led the Archbishop Carroll High School Patriots to an impressive 24-4 overall record as a senior, while aiding the team in securing its first Catholic League title in the school's history.

After only two years on the team, Bigus posted 956 career points, ranking him third in Carroll's history behind Tom Dunn and former Wildcat Barry Bekkedam. He was named the Catholic League Southern Division's Most Valuable Player as a junior, and was runner-up for this award as a senior. He averaged 16.3 ppg, 11.3 rpg and 4.6 blocks per game in a league *Sports Illustrated* called the "best in the country."

Bigus lived up to his reputation as a freshman Wildcat, playing in 28 games last season. With a 53.2 shooting percentage, he was second only to Jason Lawson in field-goal accuracy. He posted double figures in scoring four times in the season, including a career-high 11 points versus North Carolina in Maui.

Other collegiate career highlights include scoring eight points on a four-for-eight shooting performance, and a team-high seven rebounds versus Boston College; going six-for-six against the Tar Heels in two games; and pulling in six boards versus St. John's.

It will be difficult for "Biggie" to find minutes this season in the Wildcats' talent-laden frontcourt. However, the sophomore's tendency to come up big in crucial situations will make it difficult for Coach Steve Lappas to forget about No. 31.

Seven-foot-1 worth of blood and guts.

THE BEST IN THE BIG EAST

First Team All-Big East

Alvin Williams	Villanova	G	Sr.
Danya Abrams	Boston College	F	Sr.
Austin Croshere	Providence	F	Sr.
Zendon Hamilton	St. John's	C	Jr.
Jason Lawson	Villanova	C	Sr.

Second Team All-Big East

Felipe Lopez	St. John's	G	Jr.
Victor Page	Georgetown	G	So.
Scoonie Penn	Boston College	G	So.
God Shammgod	Providence	G	So.
Tim Thomas	Villanova	F	Fr.

Third Team All-Big East

Winfred Walton	Syracuse	G	Fr.
Todd Burgan	Syracuse	F	Jr.
Pat Garrity	Notre Dame	F	Jr.
Kirk King	Connecticut	F	Sr.
Otis Hill	Syracuse	C	Sr.

Rookie All-Big East Team

Shaheen Holloway	Seton Hall	G	Fr.
Winfred Walton	Syracuse	G	Fr.
Malik Allen	Villanova	F	Fr.
Richard Hamilton	Connecticut	F	Fr.
Tim Thomas	Villanova	F	Fr.

Player of the Year: Jason Lawson, Villanova
Rookie of the Year: Tim Thomas, Villanova
Coach of the Year: George Blaney, Seton Hall

Predicted Finishes

BIG SIX	BIG SEVEN
Villanova	Syracuse
Boston College	Providence
Connecticut	Georgetown
St. John's	Pittsburgh
West Virginia	Seton Hall
Notre Dame	Miami
	Rutgers

VILLANOVA

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1996-97 Schedule

November			
29	American (San Juan Shootout)	11	Miami
30	Butler (San Juan Shootout)	14	at Notre Dame
December		18	Rutgers
1	Tulane (San Juan Shootout)	20	Syracuse (Corestates Center)
		25	at Boston College
4	Providence	27	at Georgetown
7	at St. John's	**February**	
10	at Pennsylvania	1	at Syracuse
14	Duke (Corestates Center)	4	West Virginia
		9	at Kentucky
21	Mount St. Mary's	12	at Pittsburgh
23	St. Joseph's	16	Notre Dame (Corestates Center)
28	Rider	19	St. John's (Spectrum)
30	UNC-Wilmington	23	Connecticut (Spectrum)
January		26	at West Virginia
2	Seton Hall	**March**	
6	at Providence	1	at Rutgers
8	Oral Roberts	5-8	Big East Tournament

Senior center Jason Lawson will be the focal point of the Cats' attack.

Returning starters give 'Nova ability to de-claw opponents

By JONATHAN KLICK
Preview Editor

Last year, Villanova won 26 games, a school record, but this season that won't be nearly enough.

The Cats enter this season without last year's top two scorers and their leading rebounder, but instead of rebuilding, anything short of a Big East crown and a deep surge into the Tournament just won't do.

'Nova lost 2,243 points and its best player ever at the close of the 1995-96 campaign, but there's already talk that T-squared is going to make everyone forget about K-squared.

Never before has a team faced such high expectations despite losing so much. But when a team adds four top-100 recruits to an already solid veteran ball club, nothing short of excellence will suffice.

"Win it or else?" questioned Coach Steve Lappas. "You know I've got a five year contract, so win it or else what? I'm going to be here no matter what, so I don't really see any 'or else' there to be honest. We're going to try to win it. We try to win it every year."

Lappas may be telling the truth when he downplays the preseason hype, but he must know that after two straight years of postseason underachievement, Villanova definitely needs to go out and prove something this year. And if he doesn't know it, his players certainly do.

"We're going to put pressure on ourselves," said senior point guard Alvin Williams. "If we can't do it this year, then we have failed at something."

After spending three years in the shadow of All-American Kerry Kittles, Williams, along with center Jason Lawson, is ready to make this year's Wildcat club into his team. Whereas Kittles often shied away from his leadership role, Williams and Lawson know that, more than anything they can do as players, they must be leaders for this team to reach its goals this season.

"Whatever the team does this year, it's going to be because of Alvin and Jason," said Lappas. "As good as any one of these freshmen play, it's going to be because of how hard [Williams and Lawson] push them."

Of course, a leader's job is always made a little bit easier when there is some talent to lead, and the Wildcats snagged one of the most talented freshman classes in the country. All four of the recruits were ranked among the top-100 high school players in the country last year, and one of them, Tim Thomas, might very well have been the best.

"He's as good as they say," said Williams about Thomas.

Thomas is a 6-foot-9 man-child who dominated his competition last year at Paterson Catholic, scoring 29.6 ppg and grabbing 11.5 rpg. He's got tremendous range in his game with the ability to battle around the basket or to take the deep jumper. Also, his ballhandling is good enough that he could probably do an adequate job at two-guard if the situation called for it.

Point guard Alvin Williams will serve as 'Nova's court general.

Lappas said Thomas still needs to work on his outside shot and his stamina.

"He's got things he needs to work on, no doubt about it," he said. "I think his intensity has picked up . . . he's really getting after it. People said in high school he used to float around, but I haven't seen it."

Lappas says he is unsure if Thomas will be in the starting line-up at the beginning of the season, but he did say that each of the freshmen could find themselves as starters sometime during the season.

"I'm going to be surprised if somebody holds on to [a starting position] for the whole year," said Lappas about his new players. "[It's] not because we don't have good guys, but because we have so many options, and kids go up and down during the course of the year."

The coaching staff will have some flexibility in using the freshmen. The 6-foot-10, 240-pound juggernaut Malik Allen should serve to beef up the Cats' inside game, giving the team a much-needed rebounding force. The other two recruits, Brian Lynch and T.J. Caouette, will be employed as deep scoring threats.

Probably, the only two starting spots that will remain constant throughout the season are those of Williams and Lawson. Williams will continue to run the show, but he will also be counted on to improve on his 11 ppg scoring mark from last year. But his main job will be to get the rock down low to Lawson.

"We have to get the ball inside to Jason in order to be successful," said Williams.

"If you go to every kid and you ask them, they'll tell you that we have to get the ball to Jason, and we haven't really even made an issue of it yet," said Lappas.

Despite Lappas' claims to the contrary, an extra effort must be made to involve Lawson in the offense given this team's lack of a proven outside threat. The team must find a way to get its center more than the 6.4 shots per game he averaged last year.

Lappas said Villanova's offense will showcase a few more set plays designed specifically to get Lawson the ball in shooting position, but "we're not really changing our motion because I think, in the motion, you can really do anything you want out of it."

In addition to Lawson, the Cats will look to senior Chuck Kornegay for some offensive production. Kornegay struggled last year, tallying just 6.3 ppg and 4.8 rpg, as he battled a nagging ankle injury. However, after off-season surgery, coaches say Kornegay is back in prime physical shape and has been practicing well. He will also be helped by the competition he will face for playing time coming especially from Allen.

On the outside, 'Nova has loads of potential, but very little of it has been proved.

"I think we have capable three-point shooters, but they're not guys who have ever really done it before," said Lappas, pointing to Lynch, Caouette and sophomore Howard Brown as guys who could eventually become consistent deep-range threats. "Those guys are good three-point shooters; it's just that they have never been in the role that Eberz and Kittles were in. I think that they'll be able to do it."

Until now, Brown has been hesitant on offense for the Cats, exhibiting a hitch in his jumper that caused him to hit just 29 percent of his threes and 36 percent overall. Also, he has shown a reluctance to use his great slashing ability to take the rock to the hole. Despite this, he has been practicing with the first team unit and will see significant playing time, particularly when the team faces an especially quick opposing guard. He will likely split minutes with fellow sophomore John Celestand who could also give Williams some rest at the point.

The rest of the team's bench will provide an extra weapon in the Cats' attack. Senior Zeffy Penn is the kind of solid player who does not make mistakes. He rebounds with an intensity that belies his slight 6-foot-6, 195-pound frame and will hit the open shot when necessary.

The giant 7-foot-1 Rafal Bigus will also provide size on the bench, protecting Lawson when he inevitably gets into trouble. Bigus has shown some moves around the basket, but he has not proved that he is willing to battle low for position on offense or defense. He must solve this problem if he doesn't want to become marginalized by rookies like Allen.

Given this abundance of talent at every position, it seems as though the highest expectations are suitable for this team, and nothing less than the best will be acceptable.

"Our goal is to win it," said Williams. "We can't do anything less than that."

BOSTON COLLEGE

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1996-97 Schedule

November			
22	Brown	18	Massachusetts
25	New Hampshire	22	Pittsburgh
December		25	**Villanova**
4	Rutgers	29	at West Virginia
7	at Connecticut	**February**	
9	Vanderbilt	1	at Providence
21	at Holy Cross	4	Syracuse
27	Central Connecticut	9	at St. John's
29	at Louisville	12	Connecticut
January		16	Seton Hall
2	Miami	19	at Miami
4	at Seton Hall	23	at Pittsburgh
7	at Syracuse	**March**	
11	at Notre Dame	1	Notre Dame
13	Georgetown	5-8	Big East Tournament

Kenan Jourdan: you can't stop him. You can only hope to contain him.

Abrams anchors veteran squad

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Preview Editor

Throughout Boston College basketball history, success has been short-lived. After finishing first in the Big East in 1982-83, the Eagles dropped to fourth the following year. Not until 1993-94 did they regain conference prominence, when the likes of Bill Curley, Howard Eisley and Malcolm Huckaby helped them finish third in the Big East and provided a taste of NCAA Tournament success with wins over Indiana and North Carolina. But in 1994-95, with the loss of this cast, the Eagles fell to 9-19 (2-16 Big East) and a last place conference finish.

So it was a big surprise last year when the Eagles finished 19-11 overall and 10-8 in the Big East, good enough for third place in the Big East Six and a return to the NCAA Tournament where they beat--guess who--Indiana.

This year, however, success won't be a surprise.

"At our place, you don't just reload," said BC Coach Jim O'Brien. "You have to be patient. Last season was great, but we can't sneak up on anybody this year."

The huge turnaround last year was mainly due, in part, to two players: Danya Abrams and James "Scoonie" Penn. The heavy-set Abrams silenced all weight-watching critics last year, proving himself to be a top-notch forward not only in the Big East, but also in the nation. Amazingly quick and smooth at 6-foot-7, 265 pounds, Abrams threw down 19.6 ppg and grabbed 9.6 rpg, earning him All-Big East First Team honors. This year, as a senior, he is a bona fide candidate for Big East Player of the Year and may even find himself on an All-America team by season's end.

"Most really good inside scorers have great hands and one thing he's got is hands," St. John's Coach Fran Fraschilla said. "And he's got a big butt. If he gets position, you can't defend him. Corliss Williamson and Charles Barkley played that kind of a game in college."

"I just want to win," said Abrams. "I know that can't happen if there are egos involved or people complaining or not hustling."

Abrams backs up what he says with the way he plays. Even though he is the anchor of the Eagles, literally and figuratively, Abrams keeps his profile exceptionally low in comparison to his abilities. You most likely won't find his highlights on ESPN. Teammate Penn, however, picks up Abrams' slack in this category.

Duane Woodward is the Eagles' only legitimate long-range threat.

As a freshman last year, Penn stepped in and provided the leadership that the Eagles needed at the point, earning the Big East Rookie of the Year award. In addition to these court-general abilities, Penn scored 13.2 ppg and posted a low 2.3 to 3.4 turnover to assist ratio. The 5-foot-10 guard is causing more hysteria in Massachusetts than when the witch trials were held in his hometown of Salem.

"We knew that Scoonie Penn was going to be good," said O'Brien. "We just didn't know it would be this soon. His quickness and inner toughness are two great attributes, but there were many times he won games for us by hitting a three-pointer when Danya was double-teamed inside. He had no problem stepping up as a freshman, and he should only become better in his sophomore season."

Returning with Abrams and Penn in the starting positions is a solid supporting cast. Under the glass, returning starters Kenan Jourdon and Antonio Granger will accompany Abrams. Jourdon, a senior, moved from the backcourt to power forward last year where he seemed more comfortable, averaging 7.6 ppg and 5.2 rpg. He will be counted on once again to contribute the same numbers this year.

Granger's athleticism makes him the most versatile player on the team and maybe the most versatile small forward at BC in the last 10 years. Along with his 10.6 ppg and 3.4 rpg, the junior also shot 37.6 percent from behind the arc. This ability to play inside and outside helps spread opposing defenses, giving players like Abrams and Jourdon more room to maneuver in the paint.

The Eagles need not worry about inside players off the bench. With 6-foot-8 senior Bevan Thomas (6.9 ppg, 4.3 rpg), and 6-foot-9 junior Mickey Curley (5.4 ppg, 3.5 rpg), they have the size and strength from the pines to spell the starters who need a rest or get into foul trouble. Also watch out for Greek import Kostas Maglos, a 6-foot-10 sophomore, whom O'Brien is calling the "the X-factor."

Unlike the frontcourt, where Boston College has a solid lineup, there is little production in the backcourt aside from Penn. Junior Duane Woodward (8.8 ppg, 3.3 apg) is only an adequate shooting guard. Also, there is little depth from the perimeter. Sophomore Andy Bedard (3.8 ppg) might spell Woodward, but BC's other guards, Pat Bosworth and Greg Bartoli, have had minimal playing time throughout their college careers. This lack of experience won't help with Boston College's tendency to turn the ball over, as last year the team held the Big East's worst turnover at minus 1.9.

The backcourt might get some help from 6-foot-5 signee Damian Foster, who is a decent outside shooter. He will have to show the willingness to work on other dimensions of the game, especially defense, if he is to receive substantial playing time.

Despite the lack of depth in the backcourt, BC has an extremely balanced attack. If the Eagles' can find someone else to rely on besides Abrams and Penn, they might climb to the top of the Big East and deep into the NCAA Tournament. Unlike last year, however, the Eagles won't be able to sneak up on anyone. In fact, opponents will now be gunning for them.

"Finishing fifth last year was unexpected," said O'Brien. "I think we'll approach this year with a different frame of mind."

They're going to have to if they want to experience their first back-to-back winning seasons in the Big East in 14 years.

CONNECTICUT

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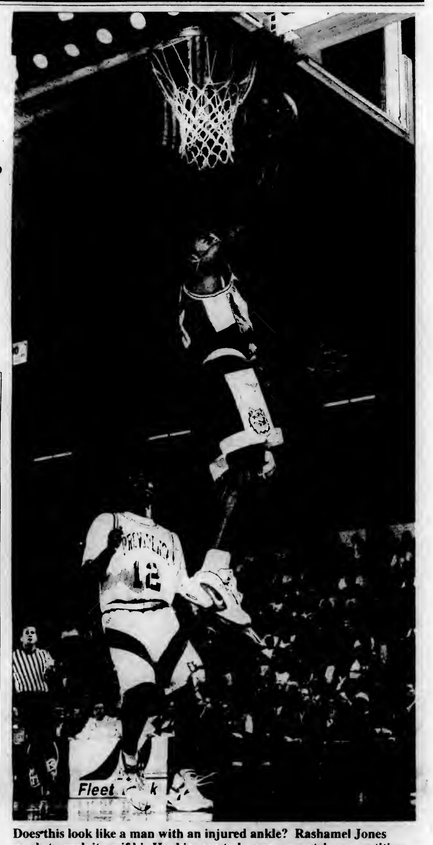
1996-97 Schedule

November		19	Kansas
15	at Indiana	22	at Miami
25	Northeastern	26	Syracuse
29	Yale	29	Providence
December		**February**	
4	at Pittsburgh	1	at Seton Hall
7	Boston College	3	Georgetown
21	Farfield	8	at Notre Dame
23	Virginia	12	at Boston College
27	Massachusetts	15	Miami
29	Hartford	17	at Syracuse
January		23	**at Villanova**
2	at Rutgers	26	Pittsburgh
4	West Virginia	**March**	
8	St. John's	1	Seton Hall
11	at Georgetown	5-8	Big East Tournament



Does this look like a man with an injured ankle? Rashamel Jones needs to suck it up if his Huskies are to be even remotely competitive.

UConn loses four starters, falls from Big East dominance

By JAMIE NOONAN
Preview Reporter

To say that the University of Connecticut basketball team has been a perennial power during the last several years may be an understatement. UConn has compiled the Big East's best record during the 1990s and has been continually one of the nation's highest ranked teams.

His majesty the King reigns over the now tiny kingdom of Stoors.

They have also won an unprecedented three consecutive Big East regular season championships. They finished with a 17-1 Big East record last year while compiling a new school record for wins with an overall mark of 32-3.

The team has done equally well in post season play. They have made the NCAA Tournament six of the last seven years and were the No. 1 seed in the Southeast Region last year after winning the Big East Tournament. They also made it to the Sweet 16 for the fifth time in seven years, in 1995.

While their list of accomplishments is long, this may be a rebuilding year for the Huskies.

The loss of four starters and the departure of a key underclassman has the Huskies in an unfamiliar situation.

"My expectations are always that we be the best team we can be," said Coach Jim Calhoun. "I don't worry too much about anything beyond that. I don't think we'll be rated among the top four teams to win the Big East championship, but that doesn't mean we won't try."

The team's biggest loss came when junior guard, consensus First Team All-American and Big East Player of the Year Ray Allen left college to further his talents in the NBA. He was the fifth pick taken overall in the NBA draft and signed with the Milwaukee Bucks. He will be sorely missed.

Three of the four seniors who graduated went on to play professional basketball. Seven-foot-0 center Travis Knight was drafted in the first round of the NBA draft by the Los Angeles Lakers and leaves a big hole to fill in the middle.

Point guard Doron Sheffer was drafted in the NBA but opted to play for a professional team back in his native Israel. The team will most certainly miss his floor leadership.

Swing man Rudy Johnson signed a pro contract in Japan. The team also lost the services of reserve forward Eric Hayward.

"It seems funny to be here and not see Ray [Allen], or Travis [Knight], or Rudy [Johnson], the guys I've been with so long," senior Kirk King said. "Everyone knows what we've done in the last three years, but the guys who were mostly responsible for that are gone. We have to pick it up from here."

While the loss of so many great players definitely hurts, one bright spot for the Huskies is their tremendous recruiting class. It has been rated in the top 10 in the country by some experts.

UConn brought in six players total; five freshmen and one junior college transfer.

The prized recruit for the Huskies is 6-foot-6 Richard Hamilton out of Coatsville, Pa. He was a McDonald's All-American selection and a National Top 20 Recruit.

In his senior season he averaged 23.8 ppg and 14 rpg. He is definitely a player to watch.

Another top recruit for UConn is 6-foot-6 Kevin Freeman from Springfield Mass. Freeman played his senior year at Paterson Catholic High School in New Jersey where he averaged 21.7 ppg and 13.8 rpg.

Paterson Catholic might sound familiar. It is the same high school that Tim Thomas attended. Freeman was also a National Top 30 scholastic selection.

The next signee for the Huskies was 6-foot-9 Sam Funches from Jackson, Miss. He spent last season at St. Thomas More Prep School in Colchester, Conn., making sure he was academically ready for college.

Coach Calhoun pulled off a major coup when he landed 6-foot-7 Michael LeBlanc and 6-foot-11 Jake Voskuhl, both out of Strake Jesuit High School in Houston, Texas. Both should be high impact players for the team.

The final recruit was 6-foot-4 junior college transfer Monquencio Hardnett. He attended Middle Georgia College where he earned All-American honors while averaging 23.7 points and 4.8 assists a game.

The recruiting class is impressive, but it might not be enough as the newcomers make the transition to the physical play of Big East Basketball. It should pay off later in the year and into the coming seasons.

Only one player is returning from last year's Big East Championship team, the 6-foot-8 King. He averaged 9.9 ppg and 6.3 rpg last year, ranking him third on the team.

Only two other returning players averaged playing time in double figures: sophomores Rickey Moore and Rashamel Jones.

Moore is recovering from off-season shoulder surgery and should be fine for the season. He is expected to direct the Husky offense from the point guard position.

Jones started last season strong, but an ankle injury slowed down his progress. Big things are expected from him this year when he will play both the two-guard and small forward position for the team.

UConn has four other players who hope to see some time. Six-foot-3 senior Dion Carson is a junior college transfer in his second season. He played in 27 games last year as a back up, and he should see more time in that same role this season.

Junior Rusian Inyatkin, along with King, is the only player with more than one year of experience. Inyatkin is looking to contribute in the frontcourt where he hopes to fill some of the rebounding and scoring void left by the graduation of Knight.

Also returning are 6-foot-10 sophomore Antric Klaiber who also is looking to contribute in the frontcourt, and 6-foot-3 senior Kyle Chapman. He made the team last year as a walk on and should see limited action during the season.

The lack of experience may pose problems in the powerful Big East and against some of their out-of-conference opponents. They play the likes of preseason No. 1 Kansas, perennial power UMass, and tough Big 10 and ACC teams in Indiana and Virginia. A few breathers will be provided when they battle Northeastern, Yale and Southwest Texas State.

With the recent success of the UConn basketball program, expectations are high on campus. These expectations might be premature. While the team has had a good recruiting class, the loss of four starters has left its mark. A lot will be expected from some new faces.

One good thing the Huskies have going for them is Calhoun. He has been one of the Big East's most successful coaches in his nine seasons at UConn.

A lot of pressure will fall on his shoulders to make sure this team reaches it potential as quickly as possible. This still might not be enough as the Huskies are picked to finish as low as fourth in the Big East Six in some preseason poles.

The University of Connecticut Basketball Team will be in an unfamiliar situation as the season starts. They will be an underdog. This might be good for the team as it will alleviate any early season pressure and allow the team to come on strong at the end of the season. UConn could pull off some upsets late in the season. The best thing UConn has going for it is its youth. Another good recruiting class next year and the Huskies could return to their winning ways.

ST. JOHN'S

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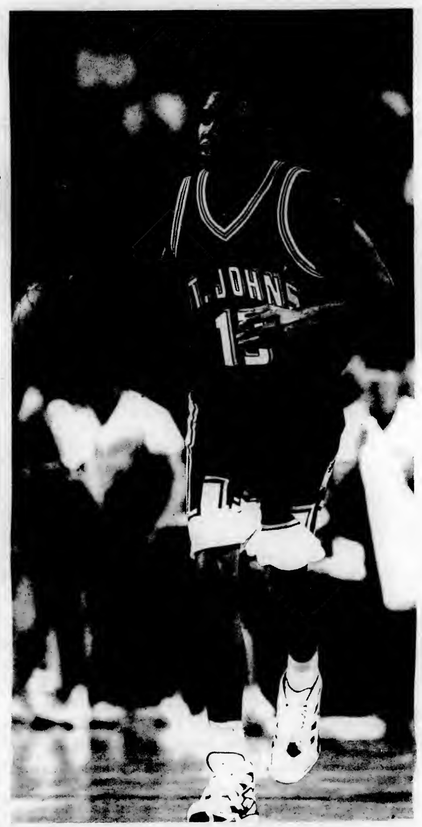
1996-97 Schedule

November		21	at Georgetown
23	Long Island University	25	Providence
30	Hofstra	29	Rutgers
December		**February**	
3	at Miami	1	Georgetown
7	**Villanova**	3	Michigan
15	at Minnesota	5	at Notre Dame
21	FDU	9	Boston College
26-28	Chemical Bank Holiday Festival	12	Syracuse
January		15	at Rutgers
2	at Providence	19	**at Villanova**
4	Pittsburgh	22	Miami
8	at Connecticut	26	at Seton Hall
12	West Virginia	**March**	
14	at Niagara	5-8	Big East Tournament
18	at Pittsburgh		



The oft-criticized and underappreciated Felipe Lopez looks for a shoulder to cry on in this, his junior season. Fans ought to be more sensitive: how would they feel if they were under such pressure?

Coach Fraschilla hopes Red Storm is rising in Queens

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Preview Editor

Four years ago, in his first season at St. John's, Brian Mahoney was Big East Coach of the Year. A year later he was able to persuade top recruits Felipe Lopez and Zendon Hamilton to play for St. John's, and it looked as if the Storm was finally headed toward the top of the Big East.

How things have changed.

After compiling a 25-30 record and never finishing higher than sixth in the conference, Mahoney was dismissed. Enter Fran Fraschilla.

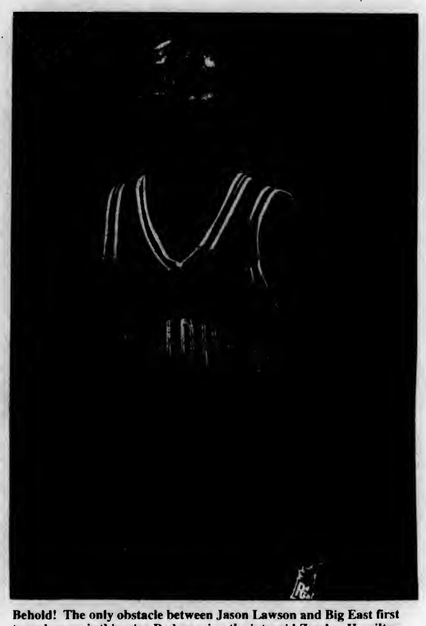
When Fraschilla was coaching Manhattan last year, he and his Jaspers gave the Red Storm all they could handle before losing 71-68. Fraschilla now finds himself on the opposite side of the court, shouting loudly the cliché that if you can't beat 'em, you might as well join 'em.

"It is a big move," said Fraschilla, "but it's been made much, much easier that I take the same basic way to work—get on the Hutch and head south—and my family, friends and the coaches I have built a relationship with are all here. So it's less traumatic, and I feel very, very comfortable with it so far."

Fraschilla, however, has volunteered to captain a ship headed in the wrong direction. Despite being flooded with talent in the past few years, the Red Storm has never been able to find the formula to win. And this year's search might be the toughest yet.

Even if trying to adjust to a new coach was not enough to place the Johnnies' chances for success in jeopardy, they may now have to do the adjusting without their two best players, Lopez and Hamilton, who combined for 37 ppg and 16.5 rpg last year, may have to sit out the entire season because of a mid-summer trip they took to a basketball camp in Las Vegas. It is not the trip for which they may be punished, but the fact that a representative from Adidas paid for their plane tickets.

According to St. John's Sports Information Office, the NCAA, which is currently reviewing the situation, had not let St. John's know of any punishment. But most indications show that the superstars will have to sit out at least part of the season. How much of season is not yet known. But after sifting through the details, it appears that Lopez and Hamilton have committed a cardinal sin in the face of NCAA commandments. In other words, don't look forward to seeing too much of Lopez and Hamilton this season, and don't look forward to seeing too much of St. John's either.



Behold! The only obstacle between Jason Lawson and Big East first team honors is this wiry Red warrior, the intrepid Zendon Hamilton.

With Lopez and Hamilton sitting the pines for at least part of the season, the Red Storm will be hard pressed to do anything positive. No one else on the team last year averaged more than 8 ppg.

Undoubtedly, the loss of Hamilton may hurt a little more. With his 20.8 ppg and 10.3 rpg (which are both the Big East's highest returning averages) along with his leadership abilities missing, Charles Minlend, a rugged 6-foot-6 forward from Cameroon, Africa, who missed all of last season with a torn hamstring, will have to pick up the slack.

"Charles plays the way I want the game played," Fraschilla said. "He can set the tone for a new era."

Seniors Mike Menniefield (2.5 ppg) and Tom Bayne (1.7 ppg) will be looked upon to contribute underneath. The brightest spot for St. John's may be sophomore forward Tyrone Grant, who averaged 7.8 ppg and 7.1 rpg as a freshman. If he can continue this output, he may make the loss of Hamilton at least tolerable.

"Tyrone is probably going to be one of those guys who is going to grow on me," Fraschilla said. "I think he has a chance to be a team leader the next three years…He's such a great kid."

The loss of Lopez is not as big as the loss of Hamilton. In his first two seasons, the 6-foot-6 Lopez was unable to figure out the game of college basketball. Despite showing flashes of brilliance at both the off guard and small forward positions, he shot a measly 40.6 percent from the field last year and couldn't find a teammate if his team was the only one on the floor. He committed 85 turnovers to just 51 assists last year.

Still, the Red Storm will have trouble replacing his 16.2 ppg and 6.2 rpg. More likely than not, some youngsters will have to fill the vacant spot. Newcomer Lavor Postell, a 6-foot-5 guard, has a good chance to play the two-guard position. Fred Lyson, a 6-foot-7 senior who averaged 5.3 ppg last year, will share the duties with Postell.

"One of the freshmen has a chance to help quickest and that's Lavor Postell," said Fraschilla. "In the limited time I have had to talk to him and see him, I think he'll be a St. John's kind of kid. He has great work ethic, plays hard and is relatively athletic. He has a chance to be a very good defender, and that's another cornerstone to what we want to establish."

At the point, look for 6-foot-5 junior Tarik Turner to handle the role. Last year Turner, who averaged 4.0 ppg and 2.3 apg, split time with then-senior Maurice Brown. This year, however, Fraschilla is trying to boost Turner's confidence by handing him the job at the outset.

"Tarik needs confidence and he's going to get it," Fraschilla said.

Backing up Turner will be yet another freshman, Charles Collin from Ontario, Canada. Collin's ability to play at the college level, however, is still questionable.

The only positive thing for St. John's is that it will play lowly Rutgers twice, Notre Dame once and Seton Hall once.

But even wins against these teams will be no consolation for losing its most talented players. That's why the Storm is currently praying to the NCAA gods for forgiveness. Without the contributions from Lopez and Hamilton, the Red Storm might be headed towards the Big East basement, and a once promising season will end in disaster.

How things can change.

WEST VIRGINIA

Nickname: Mountaineers
Last Season: 12-15 overall, 7-11 Big East (4th)
Postseason: None
Head Coach: Gale Catlett
Starters Lost: [illegible]
Starters Back: [illegible]
Malone, [illegible]
Newcomers: [illegible]
Adrian Pledger

1996-97 Schedule

November		19	at Providence
26	at Minnesota	22	at Rutgers
30	Ohio	25	Notre Dame
December		29	Boston College
4	at Syracuse	**February**	
14	East Tennessee State	1	Pittsburgh
17	at Marshall	4	**at Villanova**
19	Robert Morris	8	Providence
22	Virginia Tech	11	at Notre Dame
30	at Duquesne	15	Syracuse
January		18	Towson State
2	Georgetown	22	at Seton Hall
4	at Connecticut	26	**Villanova**
8	Seton Hall	**March**	
12	at St. John's	1	at Miami
15	Rutgers	5-8	Big East Tournament

Brothers Jeff, Moses and Sam will be outraged if Gordon Malone is again passed over for postseason All-Big East honors this year.

Mountaineers set to scale the tops of Big East peaks

By J. BRIAN SEIDEL
Preview Reporter

In its inaugural season in the Big East, West Virginia finished with an overall record of 12-15, 7-11 in the conference. The Mountaineers finished the season in fourth place in the Big East Six, eighth overall.

"A lot of people said that we would not be competitive," 18-year veteran WV Coach Gale Catlett said of the school's first Big East campaign. "Looking at it a year later, they were wrong."

The Mountaineers showed signs that they were not to be taken lightly. They were becoming known as the team nobody wanted to play. The Mountaineers defeated Boston College by 19 points, Seton Hall by 18, St. John's by 15 and National Champion runner-up Syracuse by 12. However, the team had trouble maintaining that level of play consistently, especially in close contests. They lost eight out of nine games decided by nine points or less.

"I think we missed some opportunities," Catlett said. "At the same time, the kids worked hard and were fun to be around."

The only starter lost from last year's team was shooting guard Cyrus Jones (12.1 ppg, 3.2 rpg). The team also lost guard Greg Simpson. After taking over for Jones late in the season, Simpson averaged 13.2 ppg. He was dismissed after pleading guilty to a hit-and-run auto accident.

Other losses that are easier to replace are center Leon Agnew, who averaged only 3.2 ppg and 3.0 rpg, and forward LeVon Lamb, who averaged 2.4 ppg in 211 minutes.

West Virginia brought in a strong recruiting class headlined by junior college newcomers Adrian Pledger, (6-foot-3, 195 pounds) from George C. Wallace State College (Ala.), and Greg Jones (6-foot-3, 200 pounds) from Jacksonville (Texas) College. Both players will likely battle for the vacant shooting guard position. Any accuracy from three-point range would boost a Mountaineer team that ranked 11th in the conference, shooting just 31 percent from behind the arc.

Pledger is a self-described slasher/driver. While gaining a reputation as a leaper, he averaged 25 ppg and 14.2 rpg. He admits, however, that his jumper needs work.

"He plays bigger than 6-2, 6-3," Catlett said. "Adrian brings as good a set of credentials to the program as anyone we've ever recruited. If Pledger is anywhere as good as they say he'll be, he'll be a heckuva player."

Jones, who averaged more than 25 points in his two seasons at Jackson College, was a late signee.

"We were very fortunate [to sign him late]," said Catlett. "A number of great basketball people have spoken volumes to me about his offensive skills and shooting ability. He's a heckuva prospect."

Another junior college player, Brian Lewin, is likely to be the starting center. Lewin, a juco All-American, averaged 18.4 ppg and 11.5 rpg last season at Trinity Valley Community College in Texas. The 6-foot-10, 260-pound center is expected to fill in for last year's starter Sandro Varejao, who should be more effective off the bench.

Guard Seldon Jefferson is moving on up in the Big East this year.

"Mainly, I'm looking for a five man who can come in and start for us," said Catlett entering the late recruiting period.

The squad's lone high school recruit is 6-foot-8, 225-pound power forward Marcus Gorec. Gorec averaged 18 ppg, 12 rpg and five blocks per game last season. He is expected to see some playing time off the bench.

"If there is any slippage [from the veterans], he could step in," Catlett said. "He's a very explosive player. There is no doubt about his abilities, but at the same time, he'll be a freshman."

Overall, Catlett seemed pleased with his recruiting class.

"We've been able to penetrate the junior college market better than the high school market so far," Catlett said. "We would not have signed the players we signed if not for the Big East. We've opened a few more doors in recruiting."

The returning players are led by junior Damian Owens. Owens, a 6-foot-5 small forward, averaged 14.6 ppg, 8.3 rpg and shot over 50 percent from the field. He is one of the best all-around players in the conference. His versatility allows him to play anywhere from shooting guard to power forward. His numbers rank third among returning Big East players behind Boston College's Danya Abrams and St. John's Zendon Hamilton. Owens was selected as a Third-Team All Big East player last season.

"He's just someone you want on your team so you can coach him," Catlett said. "If he was 6-8, he could sign for a lot of bucks just as a rebounder. He's a [Dennis] Rodman."

The point position is headlined by two experienced players and an untested, but intriguing, redshirt. Two-year starter Seldon Jefferson, who averaged 11.6 ppg and led the team with 137 assists, returns. Although usually dependable, Jefferson has struggled with his outside shooting. In two seasons, the senior has shot just 41 percent from the field, including 28 percent from three point range.

Behind Jefferson is Jarrod West. The 5-foot-11 junior is an annoying defender who provides the Mountaineers with depth. In 25 games last season, West averaged 3.1 ppg.

The biggest name, however, may be Todd Myles (6-foot-4, 170 pounds). The highly talented freshman sat out last season after briefly leaving the team. Myles was disappointed with the slow transition he was making to college. Catlett hopes that a redshirt year will help Myles harness his tendency to play wildly.

Junior Gordon Malone is the starter at power forward. The 6-foot-11 Malone has as much talent as anyone on the Mountaineer squad. Last season, he averaged 10.6 ppg and 6.5 rpg. Catlett thinks that Malone is a potential all-league player along with Owens.

"Gordon is as talented as any big man I've had here," said Catlett.

Junior Brent Solheim is the backup to Malone. After playing every game as a freshman, Solheim suffered through an injury-plagued 1995-96 season, averaging 6.9 ppg and 2.6 rpg in 19 games.

"Now, since we finished eighth," Catlett said, "the logical deduction is [that] we'll finish higher. I would be disappointed if we [didn't]. I think over three, four years, this team will be very competitive."

As a former Mountaineer player, Catlett has big plans for the future.

"I want to go to the Final Four," Catlett said. "I want to win the national championship. [Expectations] are what the Big East brings. I hope they have the patience to stick with us."

Since 1992, no Mountaineer team has had an NCAA appearance or a 20-win season. And WVU has no postseason appearances since 1994. Barring any injuries, WVU appears to have the ability to produce a winning season.

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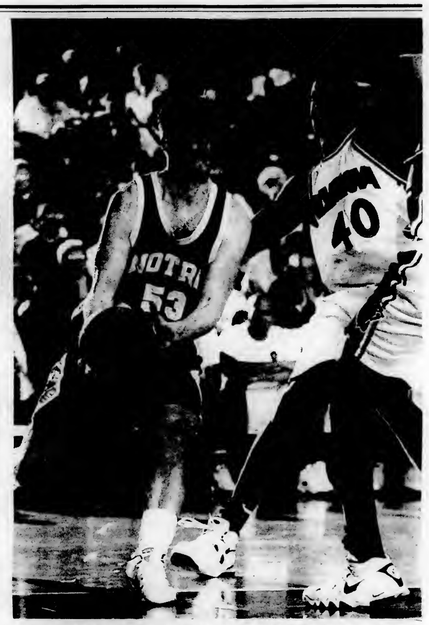
1996-97 Schedule

November		14	**Villanova**
24	Monmouth	18	at Syracuse
26	Youngstown State	22	Seton Hall
December		25	at West Virginia
2	Indiana	29	at Pittsburgh
7	at Providence	**February**	
10	New Hampshire	5	St. John's
14	at Kentucky	8	Connecticut
21	Loyola (Md.)	11	West Virginia
23	Nicholls State	16	**at Villanova**
30	at Loyola (Chicago)	18	at Seton Hall
January		22	Providence
2	Syracuse	25	Miami
4	at Rutgers	**March**	
7	at Georgetown	1	at Boston College
11	Boston College	5-8	Big East Tournament

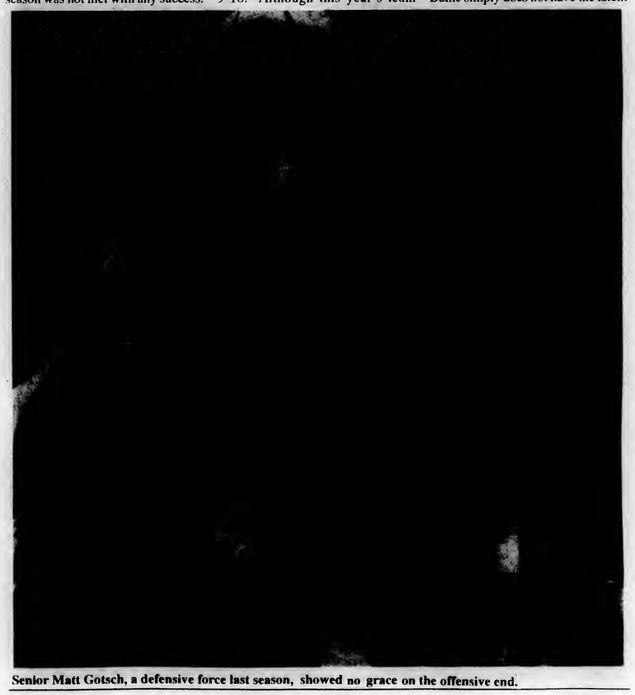


Pat Garrity was the only Irishman with any "fight" during last season.

Will luck change for Irish?

By DAVID STOUT
Preview Reporter

Notre Dame's inaugural Big East season was not met with any success. The Fighting Irish finished with the worst conference record, 4-14, of the 13 schools and shared with Rutgers the distinction of worst overall record, 9-18. Although this year's team should be better prepared for the nightly wars of Big East basketball, the Irish are again doomed for a last place finish in the Big East Six. Notre Dame simply does not have the talent or depth to succeed in the Big East. This lack of talent can be attributed to Coach John MacLeod's inability to lure the blue-chip recruits to South Bend.



Senior Matt Gotsch, a defensive force last season, showed no grace on the offensive end.

"I thought getting into the Big East would make a big difference for them," said recruiting analyst Bob Gibbons, "but so far, it hasn't helped Notre Dame as much as I had anticipated. I can't put my finger on what the difficulties are."

The lone bright spot last year was 6-foot-8 junior forward Pat Garrity, who led the team in both scoring (17.2 ppg) and rebounding (7.1 rpg). Garrity, a Third Team All-Big East selection, was the only consistent offensive player on a team that finished last in the league in scoring (68.8 ppg) while shooting a pathetic 31.3 percent from three-point range and 43.1 percent overall.

This season MacLeod is hoping for increased production from Keith Kurowski and Gary Bell, both of whom missed most of last year with injuries. Kurowski, a 6-foot-2 senior guard, has had a string of bad luck that never let him develop into the kind of player he could have been. He missed his entire freshman season with a stress fracture and has missed time because of knee and heart surgery. He showed promise in the 1993-94 and 1994-95 seasons when he averaged 10.0 and 9.7 ppg. Last season, his production dropped to 3.3 ppg.

The highly regarded 6-foot-5 Bell came to Notre Dame as a Third Team *Parade* All-American and finished second behind Kevin Garnett in the voting for Illinois' top player. Chronic back pain after undergoing disc surgery, however, limited him to only 13 games. Bell did show promise averaging 6 ppg and nearly 4 rpg in only 16 minutes per game.

While the Irish did lose two players to graduation--guard Ryan Hoover and swingman Pete Miller--their biggest loss was during the summer when point guard Doug Gottlieb decided to transfer after an unhappy freshman season. Gottlieb averaged 4.6 ppg and 5.7 apg, which ranked fourth in the Big East. In Gottlieb, MacLeod lost one of his best players and his starting point guard. Reportedly Gottlieb's father did not think MacLeod was doing a good job in preparing his son for a pro career.

"It's something that was ongoing," Gottlieb said. "Coach MacLeod and I had a lot of dialogue. It just wasn't the right fit."

The point guard spot will probably be handled by 6-foot-1 senior Admore White. The turnover-prone White was Gottlieb's back-up last year, but did start four games. The other guard spot will be filled by 6-foot-4 sophomore Antoni Wyche. Wyche, who replaces the graduated Hoover, averaged 3.7 ppg in limited action last season. Kurowski and a couple of freshman guards provide backcourt depth.

A pair of 6-foot-11 players will share time at the center position. Senior Matt Gotsch (5.9 ppg, 4.0 rpg) will split minutes with sophomore Phil Hickey (5.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg). The wiry Gotsch is the better defensive player, while the 265-pound Hickey is a much stronger player with better offensive and rebounding skills. Hickey's biggest transition from high school to college was not on the court. A fear of flying forced him to miss several road games and it is still something that he is not completely overcome.

"He's still not over it 100 percent," MacLeod said. "Maybe he never will be. He's calming down, and he's doing better. He wants to control this thing."

Marcus Young, a 6-foot-9 senior, and 6-foot-6 junior Derek Manner will back up Bell and Garrity at the forward spots.

The freshman class does not begin its collegiate career with much acclaim. The class is generally recognized as the worst in the Big East with none of the four recruits considered to be an impact player. Of the group, 6-foot-3 Keith Friel, New Hampshire's Mr. Basketball, is considered to be the best. If Admore White does not cut down on his turnovers, Friel could see some time at the point. Joining Friel are a pair of forwards 6-foot-8 Todd Palmer, 6-foot-7 David Lalazarian and 5-foot-11 Jimmy Dillon, a virtual unknown among college recruiters, from nearby Holy Ghost Prep.

"What these four can do is make free throws," MacLeod said. "We've had just an unbelievable problem shooting free throws. We have long droughts where we can't score. Hopefully these guys can relieve that problem."

Notre Dame has too many questions to expect anything more than a last place finish. Their non-conference schedule is highlighted by a visit from Indiana on Dec. 2 and a trip to Kentucky on Dec. 14. The future of Coach MacLeod could depend on whether or not he is able to sign the type of players capable of winning in the Big East during this recruiting season.

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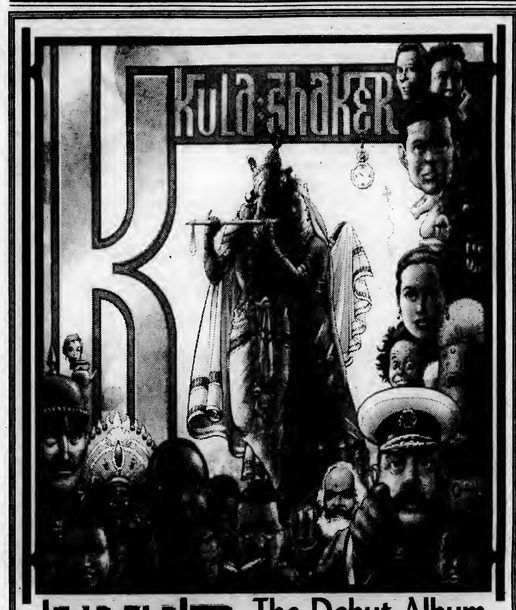

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Should unlimited abortion on demand remain legal?

BOB DOLE believes that *Roe v. Wade* should be reversed, thereby allowing the Congress and state legislatures to once again protect unborn children.

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Should government take your taxes to pay for abortion on demand?

BOB DOLE opposed tax funding of abortion in the Clinton health plan. He fought for the Hyde Amendment in the Senate, blocking the use of tax money for abortion on demand. Dole also voted to prevent tax funding of abortions for federal employees.

BILL CLINTON proposed a health care plan that would have funded abortion on demand with taxpayers' money. He opposes the Hyde Amendment in attempts to make taxpayers fund more than 600,000 Medicaid abortions every year and supports tax funding of abortions overseas.

Should partial-birth abortions, in which fully-developed, living babies who can feel pain are stabbed in the head before their brains are suctioned out, remain legal?

BOB DOLE voted for the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (HR 1833). Prior to final passage of the bill, Dole wrote the president asking him to "rethink your position so we can stop this brutal and indefensible procedure." (2/28/96)

BILL CLINTON veteod the Parital-Birth Abortion Ban Act, thus allowing partial-birth abortions to continue for any reason (4/10/96). His spokesman said the law was "an erosion of a woman's right to choose."

Do you have a right to know that your child is having an abortion?

BOB DOLE opposed the "Freedom Of Choice Act," which would have nullified parental consent and other important abortion regulations.

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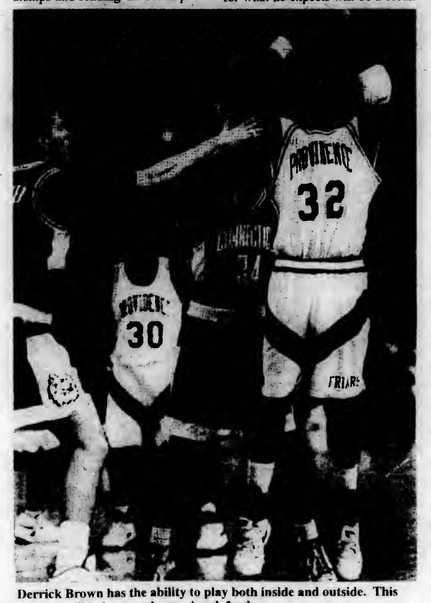

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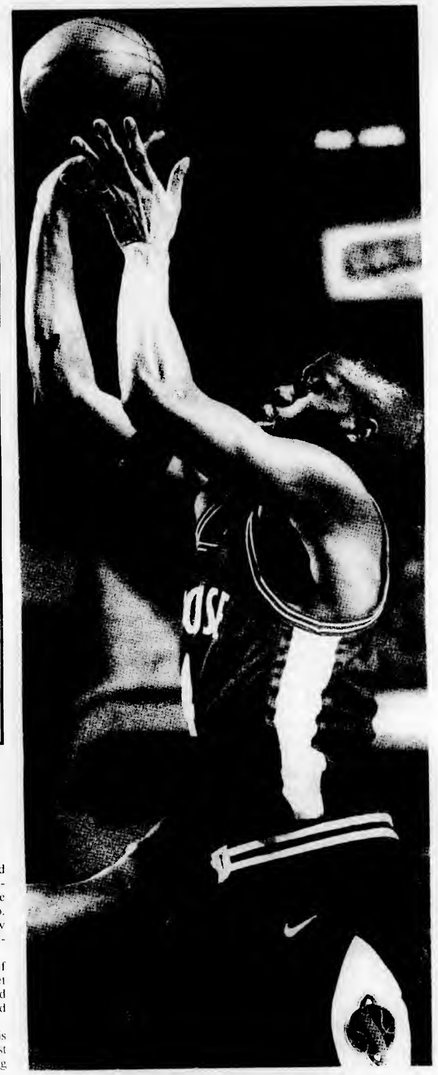

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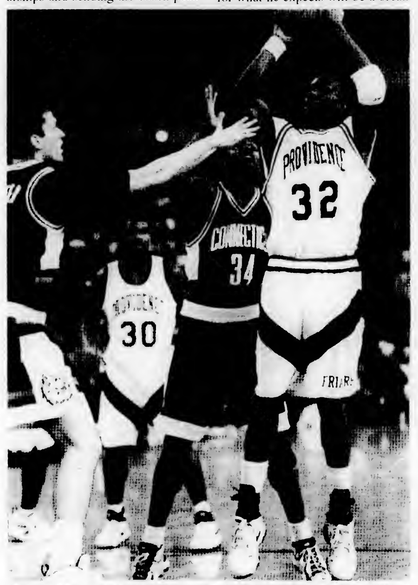

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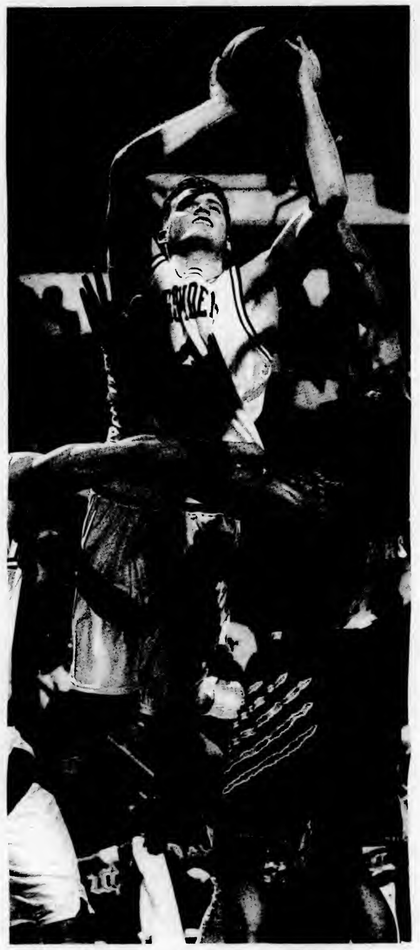

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This year will be a serious test of John Thompson's coaching ability. Three of his starters from last year are suiting up for NBA teams this season, leaving him a team void of multi-dimensional scoring talent and consistent rebounding.

Allen Iverson was drafted No. 1 by the Philadelphia 76ers. Jerome Williams went 21st to the Detroit Pistons. And Othella Harrington was selected 30th by the Houston Rockets. The trio combined for 48 points and 20 rebounds a game. That's a chunk of talent that won't be recouped by the incoming freshmen or the developing upperclassmen.

"Our returning players will all have to step up with the departure of Allen, Jerome and Othella," said Thompson.

Victor Page is the most notable of these returning players. He plays an Iverson-style of basketball, but he's simply not as good. He tends to be erratic, and his less-than-admirable 40 percent shooting from the field is made even worse by his difficulties distributing the ball. He tended to play well at point when Iverson got into foul trouble, but he doesn't have the ability to be a court general for prolonged periods of time.

In any event, the belief that the likes of Page, Jahidi White, Boubacar Aw and a handful of freshmen will somehow fill the vacuum of talent is simply absurd. Still, coaches around the conference won't count out the Hoyas.

"What did they lose the year before that?" questioned Miami's Leonard Hamilton. "They have tremendous tradition and the ability to reload."

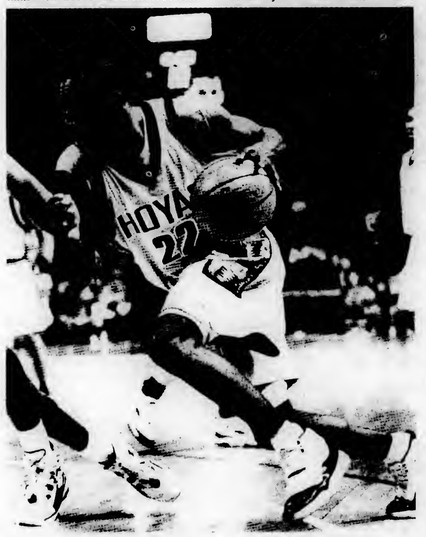
"Whenever a guy like Iverson leaves, the first impression is the team won't be as good," said Rutgers' Bob Wenzel. "But other guys step up to take the shots they didn't get the year before."

Thompson should be able to coax a winning season out of this group, so his string of 22 consecutive winning seasons should be preserved. But a more substantial playoff run will mark a coaching feat not commonly witnessed.

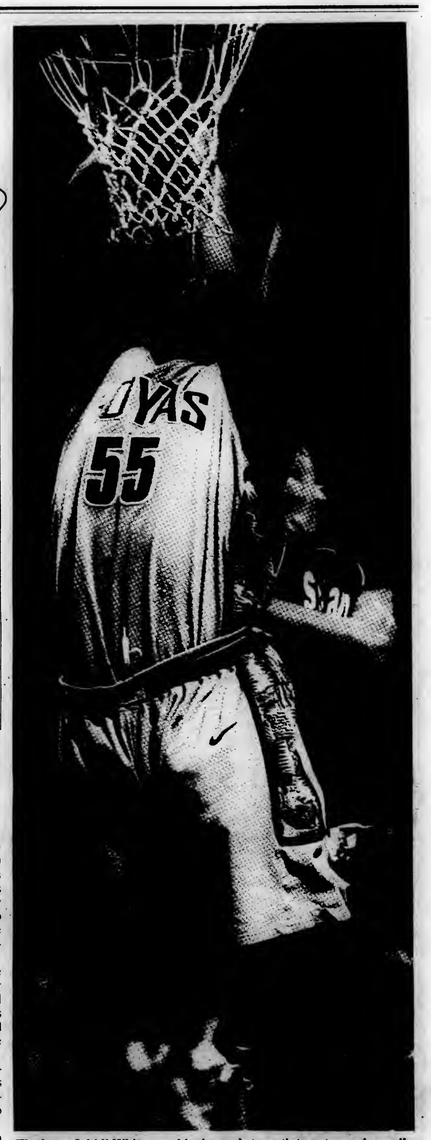
His backcourt is hardly solid, with several players vying for time. Sophomore Joe Touomou is hardly spectacular. He passes effectively, plays solid defense and guards the ball well on offense. Ed Sheffey, a freshman from the Washington area, led his prep team to a 31-4 record. He averaged 6.0 apg and could immediately contribute.

"His scoring ability combined with his skills as a point guard give him the potential to be an outstanding player in the Big East," said Thompson.

Shernard Long could be the most interesting newcomer, possessing the ability to play both the point guard and small forward positions. At 6-foot-4, he is extremely versatile, averaging 22 ppg and seven apg.



Boubacar Aw has built his reputation on outstanding defensive play.



The large Jahidi White uses his size and strength to out-muscle smaller low post players.

Jerry Nichols, who can shoot, and Daymond Jackson, who plays well defensively, will give Thompson a few more options. Nichols in particular could become a steady offensive threat if given the chance.

Aw, a junior forward, will prove invaluable. He consistently draws the opponents' most potent offensive threat and normally shuts him down. He made Dick Vitale's "All-In-Your-Face" Defensive team and is considered a prime candidate to succeed Iverson as the conference's defensive player of the year.

Anchoring the frontcourt will be wide-body Jahidi White, a 6-foot-9, 270 pound center. Senior captain Ya-Ya Dia scored fewer than 3.0 ppg last year, but his rebounding and team leadership could keep him active in the paint.

Godwin Owinje will be the other veteran to get into the mix. Obviously, there is plenty of room for a freshman who develops quickly.

Shamel Jones, Rhese Gibson and red-shirt freshman Jameel Watkins all have a serious chance at getting substantial playing time. Watkins, in particular, fits into the traditional mold of a Georgetown shot blocker.

"I told him we want to make opponents conscious of a legitimate shot blocker in the middle," said Thompson. "I think that when he gains experience, he can help us do that."

Jones average doubled digits in points (22 ppg) and rebounds (10 rpg) and handles the ball well enough to be a solid forward.

"He is as legitimate a forward as we've had here at Georgetown in a while," said Thompson, adding that he expects the 6-foot-8 freshman to make "major contributions."

But unless a couple of these freshmen burst onto the scene in dramatic fashion, Georgetown will be mired in the middle of the pack.

"We will have our work cut out for us, but I'm looking forward to the challenge," said Thompson.

Most teams struggle to replace one NBA draft pick. Georgetown must replace three, including the man who the Sixers deemed the best player in college basketball last year.

PITTSBURGH

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1996-97 Schedule

November		18	St. John's
24	Illinois State	21	at Boston College
26	at Navy	25	at Georgetown
29	at North Carolina	29	Notre Dame
December		**February**	
4	Connecticut	1	at West Virginia
8	at Seton Hall	5	at Miami
14	Virginia Commonwealth	8	Seton Hall
16	Carnegie Mellon	12	**Villanova**
18	St. Francis (Pa.)	15	at Providence
21	at Duquesne	19	Georgetown
23	Mt. St. Mary's	23	Boston College
27-30	Rainbow Classic	25	at Connecticut
January		**March**	
4	at St. John's	2	at Syracuse
8	Miami	5-8	Big East Tournament
11	Rutgers		

Mark Blount headlines a suspect inside game for the Panthers. Without size underneath, Pitt will be dominated in the paint.

Panthers will look to finally cash in on vast potential

By JON NEHLSEN
Preview Editor

Coach Ralph Willard thought this would be the season that the University of Pittsburgh Panthers would vault into the national spotlight. Two highly-touted recruits listed Pitt among their final three choices. These were the kind of players who could lift the program out of the gloomy shadow of the past two seasons. Six-foot-9 Vassil Evtimov and 6-foot-11 Jamaal Magliore would solidify the frontcourt and improve last season's 10-17 record.

There was only one problem. Neither of these smoke stacks decided to set up camp in the Steel City. Instead Evtimov went to North Carolina and Magliore chose Kentucky.

With their decisions came a realization that the Panthers were thin around the bucket. Forward Andre Howard and center Mark Blount were continually out-rebounded last season and must get stronger if Pitt is to have any hope of competing in the brutal Big East.

"We have to get stronger," Willard said. "It will take a heck of an effort in the weight room. Andre Howard and Mark Blount understand what it will take to compete at this level. We get Mark in the weight room and Andre Howard in the weight room, I think we have a great foundation."

Howard, a sophomore from Philadelphia, and Blount, a sophomore from New York, each averaged fewer than 4.0 rpg and 4.0 ppg in their freshman seasons. Still, the 7-foot-0 Blount showed some promise as a shot-blocker, and his enthusiasm should enable him to improve a great deal this season.

"I knew I wasn't recruiting a great player," said Willard. "When we got him, he couldn't even catch a pass. But Mark has a great attitude; the best I have ever been around as far as work ethic."

Despite the uncertainty in the frontcourt, the Panthers return a fairly solid nucleus of talent, led by forward Chad Varga. The senior chipped in 12.5 ppg along with a team-leading 6.3 rpg. As the 6-foot-6 Varga played out of position for much of the season and was still able to post impressive numbers, the team understands that he is their go-to guy.

"Chad is a great player," said Willard. "He plays smart and is strong on the glass. We just need to get him some help."

Varga's production dwindled toward the end of the season, a result of continually being matched against taller opponents. To prevent this from happening again, the coaching staff recruited 6-foot-7 forward Isaac Hawkins from Baton Rouge, La. Hawkins expects to make an immediate impact.

"I think I could help them a lot, both with rebounding and scoring points," said Hawkins. "I've been able to work on my jump shot and perimeter game, and that's something I'm going to need at the next level."

Providing an additional boost in the frontcourt is 6-foot-11 senior Gerald Jordan. Having contributed 8.7 ppg and 6.0 rpg last year, the Philadelphia native is the team's only proven frontcourt performer, outside of Varga.

Senior Chad Varga showed flashes of brilliance last year. He will be the Panthers' go-to guy this year.

The perimeter is led by sophomore Vonteego Cummings. The explosive guard was injured much of last season but showed flashes of brilliance. A natural point guard, Cummings may be relegated to the shooting guard spot to make room for Kevin Willard, Coach Willard's son, at the point. With the return of the super-quick Kelli Taylor from back surgery, the Panthers have a talent-laden backcourt squad.

Vonteego Cummings is the anchor of Pitt's talented set of guards.

In addition to Cummings, Willard and Taylor is freshman Jarrett Lockhart. The 6-foot-2 shooter from the Bronx averaged 25.0 ppg in high school and has the ability to stretch a defense with the three-point bomb. Lockhart can only improve Pitt's impressive 7.5 three-pointers per game 1995-96 mark.

Further solidifying the already-tough backcourt is senior Jason Maile. The guard started seven games for the Panthers last season and has shown that he can score against big-time opponents.

The biggest hindrance to his game is Coach Willard's unwillingness to use him regularly. Willard does not consider Maile to be defensively competent. Nevertheless, Maile can give the team a scoring punch off the bench.

Willard has learned a great deal in his first two years at Pitt. In his first season, he had to endure the loss of star point guard Jerry McCullough to a knee injury. Last season, McCullough was a problem child and the acrimonious player-coach relationship was often fodder for local journalists.

Already this year, Willard has lost his two most sought after recruits and assistant coach Sean Miller has left to take a coaching position at North Carolina State.

To make matters worse, potential superstar Michael Gill transferred, citing lack of playing time. Now Willard knows that a good coach must think of his entire team first, rather than catering to the needs of individual players as he often did last year.

"No matter what your intentions are, you got to think of the whole first," said Willard. "I accepted things I never accepted before. It's my fault. My job as a coach is to get kids to understand you got to do the right thing."

SETON HALL

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1996-97 Schedule

November		15	Syracuse
20-29	Chase NIT	18	Florida State
Dcember		22	at Notre Dame
2	at Georgetown	26	at Rutgers
6	Fordham	28	at Syracuse
8	Pittsburgh	**February**	
10	St. Peter's	1	Connecticut
14	at Northwestern	8	at Pittsburgh
22	Stanford	10	Miami
23	Wagner	16	at Boston College
29-30	Seton Hall Tournament	18	Notre Dame
January		22	West Virginia
2	**at Villanova**	26	St. John's
4	Boston College	**March**	
8	at West Virginia	1	at Connecticut
11	Providence	5-8	Big East Tournament

Junior Jacky Kaba will be counted on to provide much-needed size and leadership to a small, inexperienced squad. His infectious enthusiasm tends to inspire his teammates and fluster his opponents.

Pirates poised to upset some tough Big East opponents

By JOE PATTERSON
Preview Editor

On paper, the Hall's season looks like a lost cause. In reality, though, they have a fighting chance, despite returning only one player who averaged more than eight points a game last season.

If nothing else, Coach George Blaney has demonstrated his ability to translate inferior talent into upsets. The Pirates finished 12-16 last year (7-11 in the Big East) and yet they nipped Syracuse in late February and knocked off our beloved Wildcats in January. Obviously, these successes didn't translate into post-season play, but they help to demonstrate the spirit that has marked this team over Blaney's three-year tenure.

Adrian Griffin (19.5 ppg, 8.3 rpg) and Danny Hurley (14.3 ppg, 5.2 apg) bid adieu, leaving gigantic holes in the Pirate offense. This vacuum could be filled by two super-star freshmen, Shaheen Holloway, an All-American from New Jersey, and Rimantas Kaukenas, a Lithuanian from the same town as Arturas Karnishovas.

Apparently, Holloway is the real deal.

"We needed Shaheen," said guard Levell Sanders. "Having Shaheen makes our team immediately better."

Holloway isn't cringing from the high expectations.

"I want to bring Seton Hall back to where it was," he said. "And I think we can do it."

It's always tricky to place the burden on a freshman, but it seems as though Holloway will set the tone for the entire offense. He averaged nearly nine apg in his senior year of prep play and was named MVP of the McDonald's All-America game. As a court general, he led his school to a 24-4 record and a national ranking. As with any point man, a brilliant personal performance could elevate the whole team.

Kaukenas played his senior year in New York, averaging 35 ppg and scoring less than 20 points just once in a 20-game season. He hit on nearly 60 percent of his shots, including 43 percent from beyond the arc. It remains unclear as to whether he will step into the staring line-up right away, but at the very least, he will provide dead-eye shooting off the bench.

But in the end, it will be the play of the frontcourt that would allow the lowly Pirates to avoid a repeat of last year. In this sense, junior Jacky Kaba could make or break the year. He is the leading returning rebounder (an area that the team struggled in last year) and will have to be able to shut down such players as Jason Lawson (as he did last year), Zendon Hamilton and Otis Hill.

Bayonne Taty's major job will be to rebound. The Pirates were among the conference's worst-rebounding teams last year.

The 6-foot-10 center hails from Kungbortown, Liberia, and has only played four years of American basketball, two of which came at St. John's Military High School in Washington, D.C. Thus, his skills are still unpolished, but his dedicated weight room regiment has allowed the 243-pound competitor become one of the stronger players in the conference. Further, his infectious enthusiasm on the court gives his teammates vigor and tends to fluster his opponents. If Kaba improves upon his 7.0 ppg, it will open up another option for the Hall.

"We need to improve offensively," said Blaney. "Last year we were a team that played in fits and starts. We also need to improve our rebounding."

Kaba and fellow frontcourt player Bayonne Taty could help provide both. Taty, from Brazzaville, Congo, is also 6-foot-10 and posted similar numbers to his international counterpart. Holloway's emergence could help this renovation as his passing ability could deliver a few easy shots to the big men.

Sanders (12.3 ppg) is a consistent but unspectacular offensive force. He may step up his scoring output in the absence of Griffen and Hurley and he is a quick defender who could directly contribute to the offensive transition game.

"Offensively, I see us being better because I think we'll score more off of defense," said Blaney. "I think the emphasis will change from getting offense from certain people to getting offense from our defense."

Jalil Roberts, who transferred out of the Big 10 and had to sit out one year, is now ready to contribute. The Jersey native came off the bench regularly for Wisconsin and is expected to contribute immediately in the backcourt.

The final piece of the puzzle could be Donnell Williams. Williams was named to the Big East All-Rookie team with Allen Iverson and Felipe Lopez a few seasons ago, but a pre-diabetic kidney disease stunted his development last year and kept him physically sub-par throughout the year. His reemergence could take a lot of pressure off Kaba and Taty.

Blaney is happy with his team's versatility.

"There's a lot of ways we can go," said Blaney. "We're quick enough to be big, and strong enough to be small."

Seton Hall could be the surprise team of the year, or it could fall flat on its face. There's a lot of variables involved, but Blaney could be looking at a potential post-season run.

This team isn't as talented as the upper echelon teams, but it has a feeling of confidence that is dangerous. At the very least, the Pirates should register their fair share of upsets.

MIAMI

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MIAMI

1996-97 Schedule

November		11	**at Villanova**
22	Buffalo	15	Providence
24	Florida Atlantic	18	Georgetown
29	at UNLV	22	Connecticut
December		**February**	
3	St. John's	2	at Rutgers
7	Syracuse	5	Pittsburgh
13	Hartford	8	Rutgers
18	Jacksonville	10	at Seton Hall
22	at Tennessee	15	at Connecticut
28	DePaul	19	Boston College
30	Lehigh	22	at St. John's
January		25	at Notre Dame
2	at Boston College	**March**	
4	at Georgetown	1	West Virginia
8	at Pittsburgh	5-8	Big East Tournament

Junior point guard Kevin Norris will lead a deep and experienced group of Miami perimeter players.

Hurricanes will rely upon youngsters to compete

By DAVID STOUT
Preview Reporter

Two consecutive outstanding recruiting classes have created high expectations for Miami. Coach Leonard Hamilton has seen his team progress from no conference wins three years ago to nine and eight in the past two seasons. Two seasons ago the 'Canes earned an NIT berth, but last year's 15-13 record was not enough for a return trip. This year the 'Canes are shooting for their third straight winning season to be capped off with an NCAA appearance, which would be the school's first since 1960. With only one double-digit scorer returning, the recruiting class must live up to its billing in order for Miami to be successful.

"It's one of the strongest classes in the country," said analyst Tom Konchalski. "It's the best and deepest class Hamilton's recruited at Miami."

The 'Canes return three starters, but they lost their top two players in Steven Edwards (12.9 ppg, 4.3 rpg), the all time leading three-point shooter in Big East competition and Steve Rich (9.8 ppg, 5.7 rpg), as well as center Lorenzo Pearson, a key reserve.

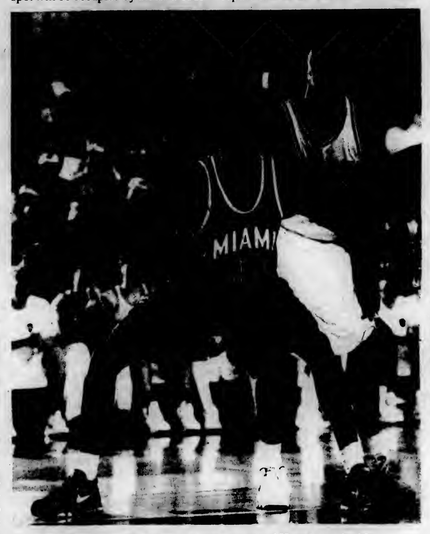
The star of this team is 6-foot-8 sophomore forward Tim James (10.1 ppg, 5.4 rpg). James has the look of a superstar and is capable of scoring 20 ppg. He shot 51 percent last year with season highs of 22 points against West Virginia and 20 against Clemson and returns as Miami's leading scorer and rebounder.

"Tim James is the kind of player who can take them to a different level," said Tennessee Coach Kevin O'Neill.

Coach Hamilton is hoping 6-foot-8 senior forward Alex Fraser increases his scoring (6.1 ppg), and also that 7-foot-0 senior Will Davis is able to bounce back after missing most of the past two seasons with a knee injury. It is especially important that Davis, a strong rebounder and shot-blocker, is 100 percent because he is the only true center on the roster.

The backcourt is talented, but lacks consistency. Junior Kevin Morris (5.9 ppg, 3.9 apg) will again run the point. Norris is a talented ball-handler and passer, but has an inconsistent outside shot and commits too many turnovers as a result of his playing out of control at times. In 28 games, Norris committed 75 turnovers. The other guard spot will be occupied by either 6-foot-2 senior Steve Frazier (7.0 ppg, 3.3 rpg) or 6-foot-4 senior Clifton Clark (6.0 ppg, 2.7 rpg). Hamilton will be looking for more consistency from Clark as well. Clark was erratic, shooting 20 percent from three-point range and seemed to disappear in conference play when Miami settled into a half court offense.

Coach Hamilton arrived at Miami from Oklahoma State in 1990 with a reputation as an excellent recruiter.



Forward Tim James heads up a young pack of Hurricane inside players. The 6-foot-7 sophomore will be counted on to show the brilliance he displayed last year.

This class may be his best ever. Despite a talented and experienced starting five, the 'Canes' success depends on how well the five freshmen adapt to the college game and how much they can contribute immediately. The top players in the class are 6-foot-6 Lucas Barnes and 6-foot-7 Jermaine Walker, a Third-Team *Parade* All-American. Also joining the 'Canes are 6-foot-7 Mario Bland, 6-foot-5 Johnny Hemsley and 6-foot-3 Vernon Jennings.

This class is big and talented, but it is also versatile. Jennings can play either guard spot. Hemsley and Barnes can play shooting guard or small forward. Walker and Bland can play any of the three frontcourt positions. Hamilton is excited about having so many players who can play several positions.

"I think we will be more versatile this year than we've been in the past," Hamilton said. "It will give us a lot of options."

Barnes (from Miami) and Walker (from Pompano Beach) are important recruits because, like Tim James a year before them, they show that Miami is capable of signing the top players in Florida. Barnes, voted Mr. Basketball in Florida after leading his team to the state championship, is a high-scoring wing player (32 ppg) who is equally effective inside and out. Walker is a powerful 225-pound forward who shattered four backboards in high school. Despite his size and strength, it was Walker's three-point shooting at the ABCD camp two summers ago that made him known among college recruiters. The two are friends and Walker was instrumental in the signing of Barnes.

"Miami's our backyard, and we would like to help build something special here at home," Walker said. "Lucas and I are friends, and we wanted to play together."

"When Jermaine committed, that made me want to come to Miami even more," countered Barnes.

Miami had a problem scoring in some games last year. In a loss to Clemson, the 'Canes shot 27 percent from the field and against Tennessee they did not score in overtime. The five freshmen are prolific scorers and should make points a little easier to come by.

"To have a successful year, they are going to have to step up and make a greater contribution than freshmen might in a normal situation," Hamilton said. "We think all of them will have an opportunity to contribute this year."

Miami has a talented but young team. If the 'Canes are going to the Big Dance, the freshmen must live up to expectations, someone must step up as a consistent three-point shooter and the guards must take better care of the ball. With UNLV and Tennessee being the only difficult non-conference games, if Miami can go 11-7 in the Big East, there will be some March Madness in South Florida.

Guard Steve Frazier is Miami's only returning starting senior.

RUTGERS

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1996-97 Schedule

		18	**at Villanova**
November		22	West Virginia
26	Wagner	26	Seton Hall
30	at Cincinnati	29	at St. John's
December		**February**	
4	at Boston College	1	Miami
7	Georgetown	5	at Providence
11	Maryland-Baltimore County	8	at Miami
14	St. Peter's	13	South Florida
30	Northeastern	15	St. John's
January		18	Providence
2	Connecticut	22	at Syracuse
4	Notre Dame	26	at Georgetown
7	at Princeton	**March**	
11	at Pittsburgh	1	**Villanova**
15	at West Virginia	5-8	Big East Tournament

Billy Gilligan will get his shot in the backcourt this season but must improve upon his shooting percentage.

Scarlet Knights joust for position in Big East cellar

By KEVIN McKEON
Preview Reporter

In their inaugural season in the Big East, the Rutgers Scarlet Knights were expected to play the role of doormat for the rest of the conference, but Coach Bob Wenzel was able to make the most of his team's talent. Wenzel, with a squad of players, whose height peaked at 6-foot-7, squeezed six impressive conference wins out of them on the way to a 6-12 record and a sixth-place finish in the Big East Seven.

Even more impressive is who their victories came against. Only one of their wins came against a fellow expansion team and at one point, Rutgers was carrying a three-game winning streak in the Big East that featured wins over St. John's, Pittsburgh and Miami. Rutgers also finished the season winning three of their last five Big East contests.

"The crowds were bigger and the excitement was at a much higher level [than it was in the Atlantic 10]," said Wenzel. "Every night, you were playing against guys who you knew were going to be in the NBA. There were players like that on every team."

Rutgers' leader, however, was not daunted by the transition to the new conference.

"We got our feet wet last year and learned an awful lot about out team and the league."

Wenzel is heading into his ninth season at Rutgers, posting a record of 117-119. Many critics thought that he wouldn't survive last season, but he turned in a remarkable coaching effort, possibly saving his job in the process. His inability to attract any of New Jersey's better players, however, is one of the main reasons that he has been under a lot of heat from the university this season.

This year, due to an average recruiting class and the loss of team scoring leader Damon Santiago, it appears that Head Coach Wenzel will again be faced with a tough assignment.

"We are in the Big East with its identification, and I continue to believe all things are possible for Rutgers' future," Wenzel said.

Junior College transfer Johnnie Blake leads a recruiting class for the Scarlet Knights that includes four freshmen and three junior transfers. Blake arrives at Rutgers with an impressive 32.6 ppg, so he should be able to fill some of the void left by the departure of Santiago.

Freshmen Earl Johnson and Norris Bell should contribute this season at the guard and forward positions, respectively. Wenzel added some much needed size to his lineup with the aquisition of 7-foot-0 freshman Josh Snakes and 7-foot-1 junior transfer Jamar Holcomb. The success of this year's team will rest on the shoulders of the new recruits.

"I really feel that our new kids are going to help us a lot this season," said Wenzel. "I think we've addressed most of our needs, and now it's a matter of getting guys in here, working together and going from there."

Joining Blake in the backcourt will be sophomore guard Geoff Billet. Billet had an impressive freshman campaign, averaging over 11 ppg.

"I think Geoff is a big-time player," Wenzel said. "He's a very competitive guy, who is capable of shooting the ball at the highest level and playing within the framework of our offense."

Geoff Billet, the Scarlet Knights' leading returning scorer, will be the team's leader at the point.

Fellow sophomore Billy Gilligan and his outside touch should offer a spark off the bench. Gilligan is the type of player that can sit on the bench for an entire half and come right into the game and hit a big outside shot. Billet and Gilligan, along with the graduated Santiago, were responsible for last year's squad finishing second in the conference in three-point shooting percentage behind Connecticut. The Scarlet Knights will again need this deadly outside shooting if they want to win games, mainly because of their questionable inside game.

Last year, Rutgers had one of the weakest inside games in the Big East. This year, things appear to be headed in a similar direction although the two seven-footers could make a big impact.

A solid piece of the front line was lost when forward Andrew Kolbasovsky, who was one of the leading performers last season, graduated. Returning to the front line this season are junior forward Eric Clark, who led the team in rebounding, and sophomore small forward Rob Hodgson, who averaged 7.3 ppg last year. Returning forward Johnny McCrimmon is the only senior on the team, and he will contribute in the rebounding area, but is not known for his offensive ability.

"Our biggest problem last year was once Clark got into foul trouble we really had difficulty with our inside production both offensively and defensively," said Wenzel. "You can trace games where he got two fouls in the first half, and then we didn't play well until we got him back into the game."

Although the outlook for this year's team is not extremely positive, the squad is more athletic than last year's team and the returning players have a year of Big East experience under their belts. In addition, the talent at Rutgers is young and could offer a bright future.

"We've got an awful lot of work to do and not much time to do it," said Wenzel. "It takes a long time for players to really get in synch to what we're trying to accomplish."

THE BEST IN COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Villanovan's Top 25

1. KANSAS
2. KENTUCKY
3. WAKE FOREST
4. CINCINNATI
5. VILLANOVA
6. UCLA
7. UTAH
8. ARIZONA
9. NORTH CAROLINA
10. ARKANSAS
11. MICHIGAN
12. IOWA
13. DUKE
14. MASSACHUSETTS
15. PROVIDENCE
16. TULANE
17. INDIANA
18. SYRACUSE
19. BOSTON COLLEGE
20. IOWA STATE
21. SOUTH CAROLINA
22. STANFORD
23. CLEMSON
24. FRESNO STATE
25. PENN STATE

THE VILLANOVAN'S PICKS

FIRST TEAM ALL-AMERICA

Brevin Knight	Stanford	G	Sr.
Jacque Vaughn	Kansas	G	Sr.
Danny Fortson	Cincinatti	F	Jr.
Keith Van Horn	Utah	F	Sr.
Tim Duncan	Wake Forest	C	Sr.

SECOND TEAM ALL-AMERICA

Shea Seals	Tulsa	G	Sr.
DeJuan Wheat	Louisville	G	Sr.
Antawn Jamison	N. Carolina	F	So.
Adonal Foyle	Colgate	C	Jr.
Jason Lawson	Villanova	C	Sr.

THIRD TEAM ALL-AMERICA

Chauncey Billups	Colorado	G	So.
Jerald Honeycutt	Tulane	F	Sr.
Ron Mercer	Kentucky	F	So.
Jess Settles	Iowa	F	Sr.
Alexander Koul	Geo. Wash.	C	Jr.

ROOKIE ALL-AMERICA

Mike Bibby	Arizona	G	Fr.
Shaheen Holloway	Seton Hall	G	Fr.
Winfred Walton	Syracuse	G	Fr.
Lester Earl	Louisiana St.	F	Fr.
Tim Thomas	Villanova	F	Fr.

Player of the Year:
Tim Duncan, Wake Forest
Rookie of the Year:
Tim Thomas, Villanova
Coach of the Year:
Roy Williams, Kansas

Top Centers:
1.) Tim Duncan, Wake Forest
2.) Jason Lawson, Villanova
3.) Adonal Foyle, Colgate

Top Guards:
1.) Brevin Knight, Stanford
2.) Jacque Vaughn, Kansas
3.) DeJuan Wheat, Louisville

Top Forwards:
1.) Danny Fortson, Cincinnati
2.) Keith Van Horn, Utah
3.) Antawn Jamison, North Carolina

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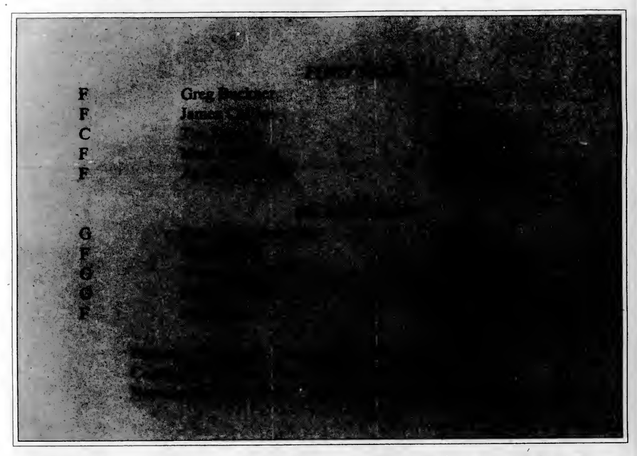

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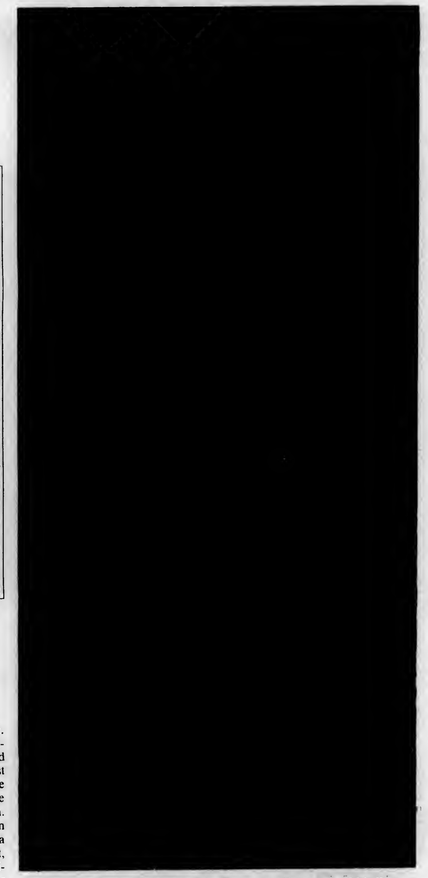

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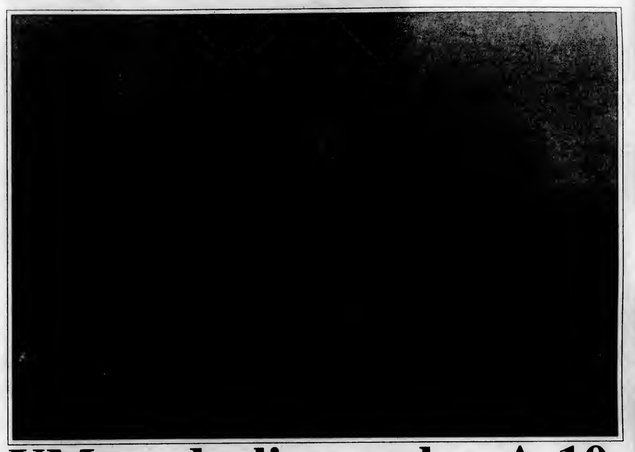

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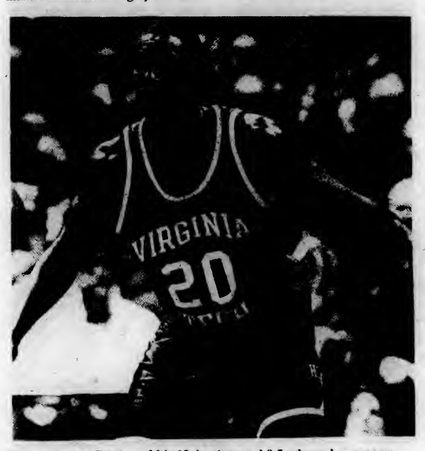

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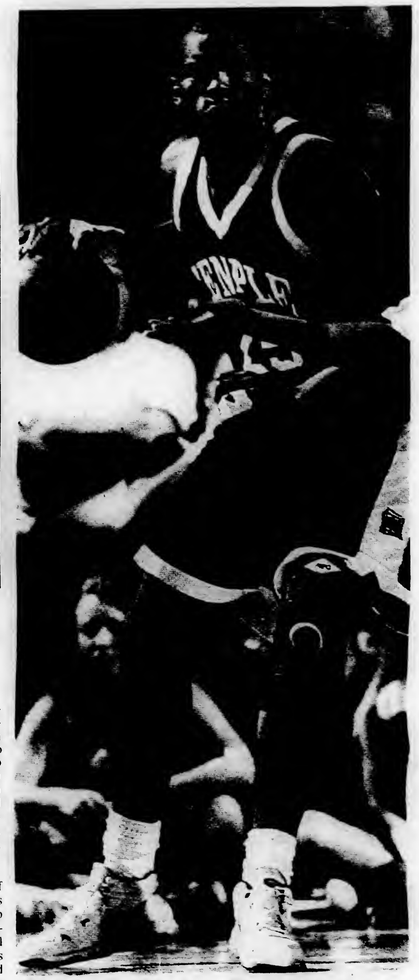

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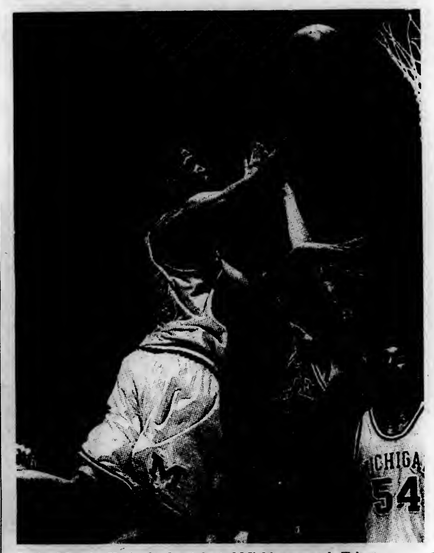

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The Wolverines have some of the best talent in the conference. If they are able to use the experience from returning sophomores and juniors and mobilize the depth of eight key players, they will make a permanent home in the top 15.

Iowa's Ryan Bowen will be a conference standout.

Junior Maurice Taylor led the team during the 1994-95 season in scoring (12.5 ppg) and rebounding (7.0 rpg) as a freshman. His intensity, size, strength and finesse will make him the team's key player this year. Up front to help Taylor are junior Maceo Baston (11.7 ppg, 6.6 rpg) and sophomore Robert Traylor (9.0 ppg, 5.9 rpg). Baston will start at center and Traylor will team up with Taylor at the forward positions.

On the perimeter, Michigan will look to sophomore Albert White and junior Jerod Ward. They will be joined by sophomore guard Louis Bullock, who averaged 13.5 ppg last year, and junior Travis Conlan, who had a team-leading 4.8 apg.

2. INDIANA

The Indiana Hoosiers are hoping to make a trip to the top of the national rankings with the leadership of power forward Andrae Patterson. He is Indiana's leading scorer (11.3 ppg) and rebounder (6.2 rpg). Patterson, if he starts to play consistently and give his best effort every night, will be the key to the Hoosiers' success.

To help Patterson inside will be freshman Jason Collier (24.7 ppg, 14.3 rpg) and lone senior Haris Mujezinovic (6.5 ppg, 3.8 rpg). On the outside, Coach Bobby Knight is looking for more help from Neil Reed (10.5 ppg, 4.4 apg). Also playing the perimeter are junior Charlie Miller (8.2 ppg, 4.0 rpg) and freshmen A.J. Guyton, Michael Lewis and Luke Jimenez.

3. ILLINOIS

The Illinois Fighting Illini have four starters and eight top scorers from last year returning. On the interior, junior Bryant Notree (6.1 rpg), power forward Jerry Gee and the experienced Chris Grady (6.1 ppg, 4.1 rpg) are key factors in winning games this season.

Senior Kiwane Garris is the leader on the outside, scoring 15.4 ppg with 1.7 steals per game last year. Coach Lon Kruger will count on these contributions again this year. To help on the perimeter are junior transfer Halim Abdullah and junior Matt Heldman, who hit 38.5 percent of his three point attempts last year.

4. PENN STATE

With the disappointing memories of last season behind him, Coach Jerry Dunn is trying to turn things around for the Penn State Nittany Lions. Sophomore Calvin Booth is going to be relied on inside. Blocking a school record 101 shots and averaging 9.3 ppg last year, he is the man to watch out for this year. The Lions are also hoping to get help in the paint from Rahsaan Carlton (9.2 ppg), senior Phil Williams and sophomore Jarrett Stephens. On the perimeter, Dan Earl (11.7 ppg), who led the conference in steals (1.9 per game) and was second in assists (5.4 apg), will be the go-to guy. Helping Earl is Pete Lisicky (13.3 ppg), who is perhaps the Big 10's best shooter. With Earl and Lisicky, Penn State may have the best backcourt in the conference.

5. PURDUE

Coming off three consecutive Big Ten titles, the Boilermakers will struggle this year. On the inside, junior Brad Miller (6.9 ppg) will be the player to beat. He is helped by Luthur Clay (2.5 ppg) and Matt Dam. On the perimeter, the Boilermakers' Chad Austin (12.8 ppg) is the key. Purdue lacks experience at point with sophomore Alan Eldridge and freshman Mosi Barnes both sharing playing time. Coach Gene Keady is curious to see what lies ahead for his team this season.

6. MINNESOTA

The Minnesota Golden Gophers hope to improve their record and show the NCAA Tournament committee what they are all about. On the inside, newcomer Courtney James (6.9 ppg) is a powerhouse. With senior John Thomas (6.4 rpg) also underneath, Coach Clem Haskins is trying to build an offense around the interior game. On the perimeter, Bobby Jackson, the team's leading scorer (13.3 ppg), will play the off guard position. Haskins is hoping that sophomores Quincy Lewis and Charles Thomas will blossom at point guard.

7. IOWA

The Iowa Hawkeyes are ready to challenge for an NCAA Tournament bid. With Jess Settles returning for another season, the Hawkeyes are going once again to use him inside. Helping the effort will be Ryan Bowen (5.5 ppg) at power forward. On the perimeter, Andre Woolridge (6.0 apg) needs to stay healthy. Even with the experience of Settles and Woolridge, there are still too many questions that the Hawkeyes have to answer in order to be successful.

8. WISCONSIN

Toiling with a young team, Coach Dick Bennett is trying to sort things out to make this season successful. The key to the Badgers' success is sophomore Sam Okey, who was named Big 10 Freshman of the Year, averaging 13.2 ppg and 6.8 rpg last year.

On the perimeter, sophomore Hennssy Auriantal (8.7 ppg) will be a big factor in the team's offensive successes.

9. MICHIGAN STATE

The Michigan State Spartans are looking to piece things together to make a solid team. Jon Garavaglia (5.1 ppg, 4.5 rpg) will be expected to double his effort on the inside with the loss of Jamie Feick and Quinton Brooks. On the perimeter, freshman Mateen Cleaves will play the point guard position. This will allow Ray Weathers to return to his normal shooting guard position.

Power forward Andrae Patterson is a key component to placing the Hoosiers among the nation's best teams.

10. OHIO STATE

The Ohio State Buckeyes are rebuilding. In the interior, sophomore Jermaine Tate (11.0 ppg, 6.9 rpg) will move to his natural power forward position while Ed Jenkins will move into the center spot. On the perimeter, sophomore Damon Stringer was the Buckeyes leading scorer last season with 11.3 ppg.

11. NORTHWESTERN

The determining factor for the Wildcats' success is 6-foot-11 sophomore Evan Eschmeyer. Coming back from a foot injury, the Wildcats need his best effort. On the perimeter, junior guard Geno Carisle (19.7 ppg) is the man to beat.

BIG TWELVE CONFERENCE

Jacque Vaughn is undoubtedly the best point guard in the nation. He can do everything necessary to take the Jayhawks to the Final Four.

Conference newcomers add strength to old Big Eight

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Preview Editor

The Big 12 has followed the lead of other conferences in the nation by adding four new squads. But even newcomers Baylor, Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech will not stop Kansas from running away with the crown in a mediocre conference.

NORTH DIVISION

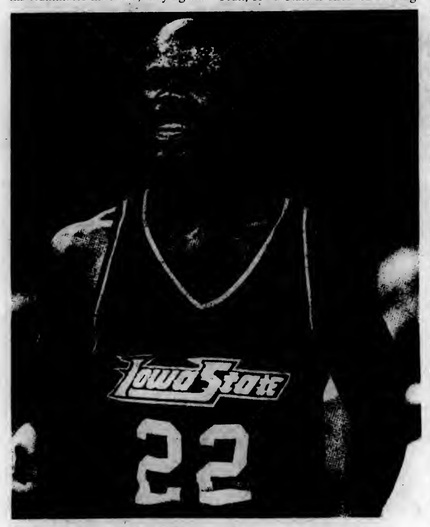
1. KANSAS

The Jayhawks are once again atop the national rankings, and, once again, they have the components necessary to bring the national championship to Lawrence. The fuel for the Jayhawks' success is their balanced attack. Senior Jacque Vaughn, the best point guard in the nation, can do everything necessary to win. Averaging 10.9 ppg last year, he also found ways to get his teammates involved, tallying 6.6 apg. Backcourt mate Jerod Haase has the ability to light it up behind the arc and slash to the basket.

Under the glass, Raef LaFrentz (13.4 ppg, 8.2 rpg), Paul Pierce (11.9 ppg) and senior Scot Pollard (10.1 ppg, 7.4 rpg) will anchor the Jayhawks. Add junior swingman Billy Thomas as a sixth man, and Coach Roy Williams will be smiling all the way to the Final Four.

2. IOWA STATE

Believe it or not, but the Iowa State Cyclones may be the second best team in the Big 12. Led by last year's Big Eight Newcomer of the Year Dedric Willoughby (20.5 ppg) and the stable Jacy Halloway in the backcourt, the Cyclones will be heading toward their third straight tournament appearance. Besides center Kelvin Cato (9.6 ppg, 7.7 rpg) and 6-foot-4 forward Kenny Pratt, Iowa State is short on scoring down low. Head Coach Tim Floyd will have to look upon some youngsters to produce in the paint.



Sophomore guard Dedric Willoughby, last year's newcomer of the year, has the talent to lead the Cyclones to the top of the Big Twelve.

3. MISSOURI

With only two starters returning, the Missouri Tigers may find themselves at the end of this year where they found themselves at the end of last year: in the NIT. Forward Kelly Thames and his 12.7 ppg will anchor the young squad. Senior Corey Tate will have to supply much needed leadership as well as points. The major question is whether Coach Stormin' Norman Stewart can get talented newcomers Tate Decker, Jeff Hafer and Tyrone to produce.

4. NEBRASKA

If they want to have any success this year, the Cornhuskers will have to count on seniors Mikki Moore and Bernard Garner to perform under the glass. If Moore can improve on his rebounding abilities and if Garner can continue to produce 10.7 ppg and 6.3 rpg, the Sooners will be strong in the paint. The perimeter is a different story. Sophomore Tyronn Lue (8.5 ppg, 4.1 apg) and newcomers Segado Belcher and Alvin Mitchell will be asked to do more than they may be able to handle from the outside.

5. KANSAS STATE

With only one senior and returning starter, Gerald Eaker, on the roster, the Wildcats will have trouble establishing continuity. The 6-foot-11 Eaker (7.0 ppg) will have to anchor frontcourt mates Shawn Rhodes (4.8 ppg) and Mark Young (8.6 ppg). On the perimeter, sophomore Ayome "Paco" May will have to continue last year's success and carry point guard Aaron Swartzendruber.

6. COLORADO

Despite the talents of All-America candidate guard Chauncey Billups, the Buffaloes do not have much else to offer. Billups (17.9 ppg, 6.3 rpg, 5.5 apg) will team up with Fred Edmonds and Martice Moore. The Buffaloes better hope their opponents do not show up.

SOUTH DIVISION

1. TEXAS

With the crumbling of the Southwestern Conference, the Longhorns were more than excited to join the heavy hitters of the Big 12. The new conference gives the Longhorns a stage to showcase such talent as senior Reggie Freeman. Freeman averaged 22.4 ppg, 6.7 rpg and 3.9 apg last year playing mostly guard, and, after being joined by Kris Clack (9.4 ppg, 6.6 rpg) this year, he will be the focus of an outstanding backcourt.

The questions, however, lie in the frontcourt. After losing Dexter Cambridge and his 12.6 scoring average to graduation, the Longhorns will look to unproven players Dennis Jordan and Gabe Muoneke to step up. If these players come through, look for Texas to find a permanent home in the Top 25.

2. OKLAHOMA STATE

The Cowboys look to be solid in the Big 12's weak South Division. Senior swingman Chianti Roberts (11.1 ppg) joins sophomore shooting guard Adrian Peterson (11.3 ppg) to provide fire power from the perimeter. Six-foot-7 forward Maurice Robinson and his 9.1 ppg will join up with brothers Scott and Brett Robisch inside. If the low-post players perform and Jason Skaer can contribute off the bench, the Cowboys might find themselves atop the division by year's end.

3. TEXAS TECH

Texas Tech had its breakthrough year in 1995-96, including two victories in the NCAA Tournament. But with the loses of Jason Sasser and Darvin Hamm, the Red Raiders will be pressed to repeat last year's successes.

Six-foot-4 Cory Carr will be a mainstay in the backcourt, being looked upon to maintain last year's production (16.1 ppg). Freshman Archie Myers will play alongside Carr. In the paint, Tony Battie (9.7 ppg), Gionet Cooper (3.9 ppg) and Da'Mon Roberts (1.8 ppg) will have to improve their play if Texas Tech hopes to succeed.

4. OKLAHOMA

With the loss of All Big Eight performer Ryan Minor to graduation, the Sooners will have to look to other veterans to step it up. Only one returing player, senior Nate Erdmann, saw any playing time last year. As the team leader this year, Erdmann's 12.8 ppg and 5.6 rpg will undoubtedly increase. Junior college transfer Corey Brewer, Indiana transfer Lou Moore and sophomore Bobby Joe Evans will round out the Sooners other top performers. Even if these players fulfill their potentials Oklahoma may still struggle to win.

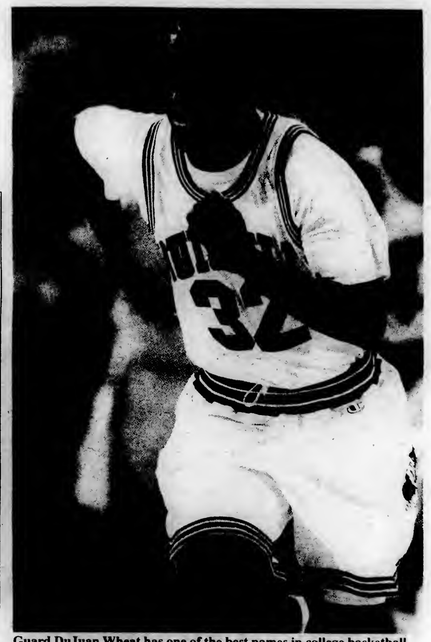
5. TEXAS A&M

Texas A&M finished 11-16 last year, losing its last seveg games. This year, with more experience, the Aggies may improve against tougher competition. The combination of seniors Tracey Anderson (13.3 ppg) and Derrick Hart (13.1 ppg) make up one of the best backcourts in the conference. Underneath, however, Spaniard Dario Quesada and his 11 ppg is all that Texas A & M has for support.

6. BAYLOR

It does not matter what conference the Bears find themselves, they just stink. Besides 6-foot-10 center Brian Skinner, who averaged 17.6 ppg, the Bears do not have any offensive punch. If Doug Brandt and Damond Mannon can step it up, the Bears may achieve respectability. This, however, will be a tough goal.

CONFERENCE USA



Guard DuJuan Wheat has one of the best names in college basketball. His basketball abilities are pretty good too.

The patriotic conference is packed with top-notch talent

By JONATHAN GUST
Preview Reporter

Last season, in only its first year of existence, Conference USA established itself as one of the premier conferences in America. Conference USA saw four of its teams (Louisville, Memphis, Cincinnati and Marquette) go to the NCAA tournament, as well as two of its players (Louisville's Samaki Walker and Memphis' Lorenzen Wright) get chosen in the NBA draft.

Look for much of the same in 1996, with six teams challenging for conference titles and invitations to the NCAA Tournament. Cincinnati and Louisville appear to be division, as well as tournament, locks. In the Red Division, however, look for Tulane and UAB to battle it out to the end. UNC Charlotte and Marquette will also challenge for NCAA berths.

Conference USA seems to have as much strength in its individual players, as it does in its teams. All-American forward Danny Fortson from Cincinnati has the Bearcats as a front runner to win it all.

Fortson also seems to have equally good chance to win the National Player of the Year award. Besides Fortson, Conference USA seems to have three players in Tulane's Jerald Honeycutt, UAB's Carlos Williams and Louisville's DeJuan Wheat, who may be NBA lottery selections in July.

All in all, Conference USA, come March, may have legitimate bragging rights as the nation's best conference in 1997.

RED DIVISION
1. TULANE

Although the Green Wave were a let down last season, just missing the tournament, don't count on them to miss the festivities this year. Even without forward Rayshard Allen, who will sit out the 1996-97 season for academic reasons, the Wave still sport one of the conference's three best forwards in senior Jerald Honeycutt. Honeycutt averaged 18 ppg and 7.0 rpg last season and will once again be looked upon to lead Tulane this year.

Complementing Honeycutt in the frontcourt will be junior shot blocker Lawrence Nelson and sophomore small forward Keith Harris. Senior Patrick Lewis will man the point, with fellow senior Chris Cameron as his partner in the backcourt.

2. ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM

Like many of Conference USA's teams, UAB's hopes seem to rest in the hands of one player. If last season was any indicator, it looks like senior forward Carlos Williams is up to the challenge. Williams was one of only three players in the conference to average 20 ppg last season. He also contributed 8.0 rpg, making him a unanimous All-Conference selection.

Senior James Bristow, at a modest 6-foot-8, will be the man in the middle, with Norman Williams at the power spot for the Blazers. In the backcourt for the Blazers is point guard Cedric Dixon and shooter Chad Jones. Even without much depth, the Blazers' starting lineup might be good enough to earn them an NCAA invitation.

3. SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Unlike many of the conference's teams, the Golden Eagles' strength lies in its shooting instead of its inside play. Senior Damien Smith is the team leader at the point. Smith averaged 17.0 ppg last season, but his 3.0 apg leave room for much improvement this time around.

The two guard position looks to be a toss up with senior George Scott as the likely candidate. The Golden Eagles frontcourt will be led by 1996 Freshman of the Year Anthony Richards and junior small forward Kelly McCarty. Although Smith has proven to be nearly impossible to guard at the point, it doesn't look like Southern Miss has enough to match up with the conference power houses.

4. SOUTH FLORIDA

With the loss of a large number of seniors, including 19.0 ppg scorer Chucky Atkins, the Bulls of South Florida will have to count on youth to take them where they want to go in 1997. The Bulls lone senior, James Harper, will have to be the leader both on and off the court. Harper scored 10 ppg and grabbed 10 rpg last season at the forward position. This season he will have to play center for the Bulls.

Other than Harper, only guard Brian Lamb and forward Luka Jovanovich saw major minutes for the Bulls last season. If the Bulls' freshman class and Vanderbilt transfer Andrikk Frazier can't contribute as hoped, South Florida will be in for a long season.

WHITE DIVISION
1. LOUISVILLE

Coming off another successful year where they advanced to the NCAA's Sweet 16, Louisville looks to be one of the best in the conference once again. Since the Cardinals played without Samaki Walker for most of last season, his move to the NBA might not be as big a loss as thought. This year's Louisville team will be led by senior guard DeJuan Wheat. Scoring nearly 18 ppg last season, Wheat's moves are just about as sweet as his name.

Put Wheat along with center Beau Zach Smith, forwards Alvin Sims and Alex Sanders, and another solid Denny Crum recruiting class, and the Cardinals are a tough team to beat.

2. UNC-CHARLOTTE

Starting his first year as coach of the 49ers, Melvin Watkins has come into a pretty good situation at UNC Charlotte. Depth may depend on the developement of their recruiting class, but the 49er starting lineup looks to be one of the more well rounded in the conference. The 49ers are led by junior forward DeMarco Johnson who averaged 18 ppg and nearly 9.0 rpg last season.

Coming back from a mid-season injury, 7-foot-2 center Alex Kuehl will team with junior college star Galen Young and Johnson, to give the Niners a solid frontcourt. Guards Roderick Howard and Shanderic Downs, who both scored 10 ppg last year will be the guards for Watkins. If the 49ers can find some leadership and consistency, they could be a NCAA sleeper team this season.

3. MEMPHIS

With the loss of center Lorenzen Wright and the rest of the Tiger senior class, Larry Finch will have a tougher time contending than he has in the past. His and the Tigers' hopes will depend on point guard Chris Garner, forward Cedric Henderson and a great deal of inexperienced youth. Although he possesses lightning quick speed, Garner turns the ball over more than he should. Cedric Henderson may be the go-to guy for the Tigers this season.

Although he only scored 12.6 ppg in 1995-96, he did shoot nearly 50 percent from the floor. If Arkansas transfer forward Sunday Adebayo and a mediocre Tiger recruiting class can step up and suprise, the Tigers may be able to remain respectable in a tough Conference USA.

4. HOUSTON

The Houston Cougars are a conference newcomer this season. Coming over from a mediocre Southwestern Conference, the Cougars may be in for a suprise. The frontcourt does have size, with Anothony Knox, Galen Robinson and Adrian Taylor each standing over 6-foot-8. However, none of the three scored more than 7.0 ppg last season or had more than 5.0 rpg.

Kenya Capers, who will split time at the small forward and shooting guard, may be the only bright spot. Capers averaged 14 ppg last season. Junior college transfer Shamahn McBride starts at the point for Coach Alvin Brooks. The rest of the team, as well as the Cougars chances in a new division, seem to be a question mark.

BLUE DIVISION
1. CINCINNATI

Ranked in the top three in nearly every pre-season poll, the Bearcats are the class of the conference this season.

Led by everybody's All-American Danny Fortson, the Cats will likely challenge for the National Championship. Fortson, a 6-foot-7 "Barkley-esque" forward, averaged 20 ppg and nearly 10 rpg for the Bearcats last season.

The Bearcats, however, also seemed to be blessed with one of the deepest teams in the conference. Combination guard Damon Flint will play the point for Coach Bob Huggins in 1996-97.

Sophomore Melvin Levett and juco transfer Charles Williams will likely challenge for the other guard spot. Darnell Burton was and will once again be looked upon to be the nation's top sixth man. If juco transfer Ruben Patterson can step in and produce at the small forward spot and the Bearcats can stay away from injuries, they will clearly be one of the nation's best.

2. MARQUETTE

Surprising people in last season's NCAA Tournament, the Golden Eagles will now be expected to do the same this year. Each having successful NCAA tournaments, guards Aaron Hutchins (14 ppg), and Anthony Pieper (11.6 ppg) will be a strong backcourt. Other than small forward Chris Crawford, however, the Golden Eagle inside game is a question mark.

Forward Faisel Abraham and center Richard Shaw will start, but neither is proven. The big word for Marquette is potential. If their talent plays up to expectations, the Golden Eagles could once again make another tournament run.

3. ST. LOUIS

Last year youth and inexperience could be used as excuses for mistakes or losses. This season, however, youth and inexperience are no longer excuses. Coach Charlie Spoonhour always gets the most out of his talent, and this season will be no different. The Billikens will be led by senior small forward Jeff Harris who averaged nearly 14 ppg and 8.0 rpg last season.

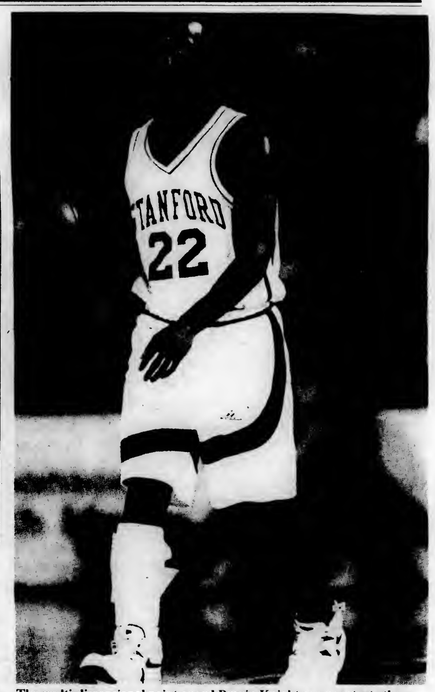
Six-foot-9 Paul Nondas and 6-foot-7 Tyrone Caswell finish making up a small Billiken frontcourt. Junior Corey Frazier and Sophomore Virgel Cobbin are the starting guards, although neither scored in double digits last year. Although this season's Billiken team may not look like much, by the end of the year Spoonhour will mold them into what looks like a totally different team.

4. DePAUL

Coach Joey Meyer looked to be gone after last season, but a pretty good recruiting class seems to have saved his job. This probably won't make them much better this season than they were in 1995-96.

The one bright spot is their backcourt. Guards Jermaine Watts and Marcus Singer make up a pretty good tandem. Watts averaged 16 ppg and five apg last season, while Singer averaged nearly 10 ppg.

PACIFIC TEN CONFERENCE



The multi-dimensional point guard Brevin Knight can penetrate the lane with his quick dribble or take a step back and bury a jumper.

Bruins look to regain their national championship form

By RYAN SCHALK
Preview Reporter

1. UCLA

Despite their quick exit from the NCAA tournament last year at the hands of Ivy League-power Princeton, the Bruins are a legitimate contender for the NCAA Championship this year.

UCLA returns all five starters from last year's squad that was 23-8 and won the PAC 10 title. The Bruins have raw talent at all positions. Junior guard Toby Bailey led the team in scoring with almost 15 ppg, and senior small forward Charles O'Bannon was next at about 14 ppg. Point guard Cameron Dollar will try to avenge last year's miserable season which was brought on by frequent injuries.

Coach Jim Harrick and the rest of the Bruin coaching staff are glowing over what they have at the center position: 6-foot-9 sophomore Jelani McCoy. McCoy is a ferocious intimidator in the paint and is steadily polishing his game on the offensive end. His talent is an untapped resource that the Bruins hope will come out this year. Last year he set the UCLA single season blocked shot record with 102.

Throw in forwards Kris Johnson and J.R. Henderson, two explosive scorers, and the Bruins have all the talent to get back to the Final Four. However, in order to do so, they must avoid turnovers, which was a problem last year when they turned the ball over 554 times, second most in school history.

2. STANFORD

The Cardinal will rely on All-America candidate point guard Brevin Knight to lead them back into the NCAA Tournament. The 5-foot-10 Knight averaged 15.5 ppg last year and finished sixth in the nation with 7.3 apg. Knight can either take a sleeping opponent to the bucket with his quick dribble or step back beyond the arc and bury the three.

However, with backcourt mate Dion Cross graduating, some wonder how good Knight will be because of how much attention was given to Cross by opposing defenses.

This year, however, Stanford gets talented 7-foot-1 center Tim Young back. After aggravating his back after four games last year, Young was granted a medical redshirt. Young has loads of potential and this year he should actually be able to showcase some of it, and take some pressure off of Knight.

Sophomore Mark Seaton will be at one forward spot and South Carolina transfer Pete Van Elswyck will be at the other. The two guard slot vacated by Cross will be given to sophomore Kris Weems. Weems has shown signs of greatness with his clutch three-point shooting late in the game and must continue to do this for the Cardinal to be successful. This team will live and die with the success of Knight and Young, who will provide much of the scoring punch. However, if Weems or someone else can step up and be a third scorer, Coach Mike Montgomery will have a team on the brink of the top 10.

Charles O'Bannon will try to do what his brother Ed did two years ago: lead the Bruins to a national title.

3. OREGON

A year ago Oregon finished 16-13, with a .500 record in the conference and was snubbed by the NIT for a postseason bid. This year, however, no one will be snubbing the Ducks, who have their best team talent-wise in years.

Coach Jerry Green's team is led by their play-making, underrated point guard, Kenya Wilkins. The diminutive Wilkins led the team in scoring and assists last year and hopes to continue his steady improvement since he came to the Oregon campus.

The other two guards in Green's three- guard attack are senior shooting guard Jamal Lawrence and sophomore Tarik Brown. Lawrence is a potential first team All-Pac 10 selection, and Brown can fill it up from downtown.

The frontcourt will be occupied by seniors Rob Ramaker and Kyle Milling. Milling and Ramaker are dominators on the inside, which is one reason the Ducks led the Pac 10 in rebounding a year ago. Milling was third on the team in scoring, averaging 12 ppg, and this year he is expected to contribute more, being one of Oregon's go-to guys.

The Ducks will be quacking this year, and quacking often. They are a senior-dominated team, and if they gel as they should, they should turn some heads come March.

4. ARIZONA

The Cats only have one returning starter from last year's squad that lost to Kansas in the West Regional Semi-Finals of the NCAA Tournament. Miles Simon, a 6-foot-5 junior guard will provide the leadership for the incoming freshman class, which again is touted as one of the best in the country.

Guard Mike Bibby is the prize of this year's recruiting class. The USC coach's son shunned his father's program and decided to stay in his home state of Arizona. Considered one of the top five freshman in the nation, Bibby will play immediately for Coach Lute Olson and provide much of the scoring punch. The other freshmen will also provide immediate help for 'Zona. Forwards Justin Wessel and Bennett Davison will provide the strength up front.

Once again Olson is loaded with talent, only time will tell if this year will be different than previous disappointing seasons.

5. WASHINGTON

Coach Bob Bender's team is coming off of its first winning record in 10 years and will look for another as Bender returns three starters. The frontcourt is the strength of the Huskies. Twin towers Todd MacCulloch and Patrick Femerling will provide much-needed muscle on the inside and will open up the outside for forward Mark Sanford. Sanford, an All-Pac 10 selection a year ago, will be the focal point of the offense. His ability to score from the inside and the outside makes him one of the most versatile players in the country.

The backcourt was depleted last year by graduation. Gone are starters Bryant Boston and Jason Hamilton. Guards Jamie Booker and Donald Watts will make up the new backcourt for the Huskies and must shoot better from the outside if Washington is going to have a shot at making any post-season tournament.

6. WASHINGTON STATE

The Cougars will ride the shoulders of senior shooting guard Isaac Fontaine. Fontaine is an explosive scorer with most of his points coming from behind the arc. He was fifth in the nation last year in three-point percentage, hitting an astounding 48.5 percent from three-point land. Junior Carlos Daniel and senior Tavares Mack will try to alleviate some of the scoring burden on Fontaine.

Senior Kareem Jackson will run the show for third-year Coach Kevin Eastman and freshman Chris Crosby will also see significant playing time. The Cougars could be a darkhorse in this wacky conference, but only if Fontaine can pick up his scoring and become the leader of the team.

7. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

New Head Coach Henry Bibby will have plenty of new faces around him this year and must find some kind of formidable starting lineup to avoid a losing season in his first year. Kentucky transfer Rodrick Rhodes could blossom into one of the top players in the conference after a lackluster stint with the Wildcats. Senior forwards David Crouse and Jaha Wilson must put up some big numbers for the Trojans, which they were not able to do last year. On the perimeter, the Trojans boast one of the best shooting guards in the conference, senior Stais Boseman. Boseman averaged 15 ppg and had 57 steals a year ago. Boseman must up his scoring and provide key leadership for Bibby in his inaugural year.

8. CALIFORNIA

The Bears are in serious disarray with both Shareef Abdur-Raheem and Coach Todd Bozeman leaving the program. Also leaving were the three other top scorers for Cal. The Bears signed only one recruit and will rely on inexperienced upperclassmen to come up with some victories. Senior Ed Gray is the only legitimate scorer returning for the Bears. He must increase his output if the Bears are not to finish in the cellar of the Pac 10. Senior guard Randy Duck and sophomore Kenyan Jones will try to help out Gray in the backcourt. Cal will still have trouble winning games, though.

9. OREGON STATE

The Beavers have finished last in the conference two out of the last three years. Not much will change in Corvallis, with Coach Eddie Payne having to deal with a nine-man freshman class. Junior Sonny Benjamin is about the only quality player for Oregon State and he is marginal at best. About the only good thing going for Oregon State is their nickname.

10. ARIZONA STATE

About the only thing worse than Coach Bill Frieder's hair is his basketball team. Junior guard Jeremy Veal is the only bright spot for the Sun Devils who will struggle to win more than seven games.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

Last year Ron Mercer helped the Wildcats reach the pinnacle of college basketball. This year he might do it again.

Kentucky and Arkansas are poised to take conference

By JONATHAN KLICK
Preview Editor

After enjoying a few years of national prominence as the most talent-filled conference in college basketball, the Southeastern Conference will experience a down year. Granted, the SEC will still be among the top three or four conferences, but after all the success the league has enjoyed during the 90s, anything short of two Final Four teams will seem like a letdown. But when a league loses as many players as the SEC has to the NBA draft (Kentucky alone lost four last year), a decline is definitely understandable.

EASTERN DIVISION
1. KENTUCKY

Surprise, surprise, surprise--Kentucky's going to be the best team in the SEC again this year. Despite losing four players to last year's NBA draft, the Wildcats are still loaded with talent. Coach Rick Pitino will have experience at the guard spot with Kentucky returning three senior guards in Derek Anderson (9.4 ppg), Anthony Epps (6.7 ppg, 4.9 apg) and Jeff Sheppard (5.5 ppg). With this kind of experience in the backcourt, Pitino might be forced to abandon last year's offensive scheme which revolved around UK's talent-filled frontcourt.

Sophomore Ron Mercer, who can drift between the two and three spots, has the potential to turn in an All-American type year. After scoring 8.0 ppg as a freshman on a team where superstars had to fight for playing time, Mercer looks to be the go-to guy for the Wildcats. Mercer will be joined in the frontcourt by senior Jared Prickett who redshirted last year. Prickett can fill the power forward spot well, but beyond him and Mercer, the Cats have little talent or experience up front.

Essentially, Kentucky should glide through the conference, but its reliance on an outside attack could hinder their chances of defending the national title if the shots stop falling at the wrong time.

2. SOUTH CAROLINA

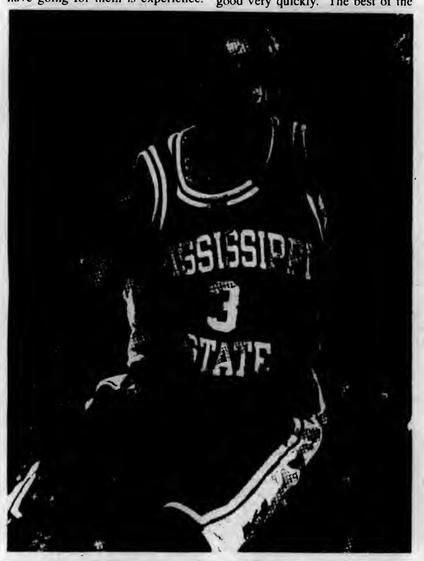
After appearing in a postseason tournament for the first time in five years, winning two games in the NIT, the Gamecocks should be ready for the Big Dance this year. The focus of their attack will lie in their explosive guards. Senior Larry Davis threw in 18 ppg last season, while B.J. McKie scored 15.4 ppg last year as a freshman and Melvin Watson added 12.2 ppg. However, the Cocks will suffer from a lack of depth up front. Ryan Stack is the only forward with any experience.

3. VANDERBILT

The biggest thing the Commodores have going for them is experience. They return six players who started at some time during last season. However, none of these veterans has much experience putting the ball in the hoop. Vandy only returns two double-figure scorers in Drew Maddux (14.0 ppg) and Pax Whitehead (10.6 ppg) who is likely to be the team's only chance of any scoring from the frontcourt.

4. TENNESSEE

What can you say about a team that boasts no seniors and only one junior? Not much for certain, but the Volunteers do have a crop of seven incoming recruits who could all get very good very quickly. The best of the bunch is Vegas Davis, a guard from Arizona who scored 30.0 ppg last year in high school.



Junior Marcus Bullard anchors a balanced Bulldog squad. His ability to hit the trey helps stretch opposing defenses.

5. FLORIDA

It's hard to believe Florida went to the Final Four just two years ago, but since then the Gators have lost most of their talent and their coach. Florida's new coach, Billy Donovan, will run an up-tempo game which stands in stark contrast to the methodical basketball the Gators employed in the days of the meathook. This style should better suit some of the team's players, particularly swingman LeRon Williams who should improve upon his 10.0 ppg performance from last year.

6. GEORGIA

The Bulldogs went to the Sweet 16 last year, but don't expect anything close to that this year. After losing eight seniors, Georgia only returns 14.6 ppg in scoring and their most experienced player is just a sophomore.

WESTERN DIVISION
1. ARKANSAS

After a season of rebuilding which still saw the Razorbacks advance to the Sweet 16, the Hogs should be back to the full-court, press-the-other-team-into-a-frenzy style that folks have come to expect from Coach Nolan Richardson. With the six guards Arkansas will carry on its roster, Richardson should have plenty of fodder to throw at opposing team's guards.

Kareem Reid is the best of the bunch. After scoring 12.9 ppg as a freshman, Reid is ready to make a name for himself on the national scene.

The problems for Richardson appear in the frontcourt where Arkansas is small and untalented. The only player of any size, Wilson Lee (6-foot-11, 260 pounds), has been a bust in his career for the Razorbacks. He only scored 6.3 ppg last year while grabbing a scant 4.4 rpg. However, Richardson has never been fond of the half-court game, so he's sure to work around this lack of talent.

2. AUBURN

The Tigers sport a good inside-out attack centering on guard Wes Flanigan (13.4 ppg, 6.7 apg) and center Pat Burke (11.0 ppg, 8.7 rpg). The only difficulty for this duo is the fact that Flanigan missed three months of practice due to the removal of a sarcoma from his arm and could be a bit rusty toward the season's beginning.

Auburn's roster is relatively short, and the team has been forced to play the 6-foot-6 Franklin Williams at the power forward spot. Despite his size, he was able to score 10.4 ppg and grab 4.8 rpg and will again be the Tigers' secondary weapon in the frontcourt.

3. MISSISSIPPI STATE

The Bulldogs will showcase one of the most balanced teams in the league. Their bench will be filled with six quality recruits who could all turn out to be contributors this year. As for the returning players, the best of the bunch is easily junior Marcus Bullard who threw in 12.2 ppg last year mostly from behind the arc. However, Bullard is being investigated by the NCAA for an undisclosed violation which makes his availability questionable.

4. ALABAMA

Eric Washington is one of the best unknown stars in college hoops. This guy poured in 18.6 ppg and grabbed 6.9 rpg for the Tide last year and should dominate his competition again. The only problem is only one other person on the squad scored at all last year, so Alabama's offense is suspect.

5. LSU

The Tigers only have one proven player on their roster. Senior Deuce Ford tallied 11.5 ppg last year and will be looked upon to provide both leadership and punch to this young squad which will sport five new recruits.

6. MISSISSIPPI

The only thing the Rebels are any good at is fouling. Mississippi hacked other players 577 times and lost players to fouls 23 times last year. Apparently, if you can't beat teams, you might as well beat on them.

On Campus... *What is the most overrated team in the nation, and what will you do if it makes the Final Four?*

with Kara Grobert

Marc Angelaccio

"If UCLA goes to the Final Four, I won't cut or shave a hair on my body for a month and jump onto the Oreo at 12 noon to growl at passers-by like a Bruin."

Jon Klick

"If Kansas goes to the Final Four, I'll dress up like Dorothy from the **Wizard of Oz** *and sing* **Somewhere Over the Rainbow** *for an hour while standing on the Oreo."*

Don Meier

"If Duke makes it to the Final Four, I'll paint my face and chest blue and flex on the corner of Ithan and Lacaster avenues as the cars and people pass by."

Jon Nehlsen

"If Arizona goes to the Final Four, I'll march up Lancaster Avenue in my boxers with a picket sign reading, 'Arizona: the Real Wildcats' and get arrested."

Joe Patterson

"If Arkansas makes the Final Four, I'll shave my head and grow a Jon Klick beard, dying it red and white."

DeFilippo resurrects 'Nova Athletic Department

By JOE PATTERSON
Preview Editor

Gene DeFilippo came to the Main Line the same year that Jason Lawson and Alvin Williams began their collegiate careers. During those four years, DeFilippo's development of the athletic program has been even more striking than the development of those two superstars.

"It's night and day," remarked DeFilippo. "When I got here, we were coming off some really lean years."

To demonstrate the differences that the past four years have made, Villanova's athletic director recalls a story about ticket sales during his first year. Over the course of a weekend, only 74 season tickets were sold.

"By myself, I cried," admitted DeFilippo. "When I talked to my wife, I said, 'I just don't know if we did the right thing.' I had some doubts in my mind at that point."

Apparently, he has more than simply recovered.

"The next day, I was okay. Steve [Lappas] and I and everybody else in the department went to work on how we could build the program."

He wanted to "make the basketball fun again for people." Obviously, Lappas' masterful recruiting has played a roll, but DeFilippo points to smaller details that helped: a new floor, a new mascot, a new logo, a more elaborate Midnight Madness and better marketing and promoting. The marketing and promoting has increased the athletic endowment from $750,000 to nearly $6 million and licensing revenue has increased from $30,000 to approximately $200,000. DeFilippo singles out the corporate sponsorship programs as important in "allowing us to do the extra things."

Another important aspect has been the improvement of on-campus facilities. The new practice fields and new soccer fields are the most obvious, but smaller things like improved locker rooms have also been important.

DeFilippo credits much of his success to his working relationship with the University's president, Fr. Edmund Dobbin. Dobbin returns the respect.

"He's got vision," said Dobbin. "He's not asking for additional money--he's raising it."

DeFilippo's vision includes a larger basketball arena on campus.

"I've always got to have the biggest challenges," said DeFilippo. "Fr. Dobbin asked me to put together a master plan for facilities here at Villanova for five years off and 10 years off. Is [an arena] a reality at this point? Is it even close? No, it's not."

Nevertheless, he holds up the prospect of a new arena as his "pie in the sky." In any event, he is quite satisfied with the improvements that he has already accomplished. More importantly, he is happy with how his family has adjusted to his move to Villanova.

"It was a long transition for us," he admitted. "My wife had been there [in Kentucky] for seven years and had built her dream house. I took everything away from them."

In the 14 months prior to Villanova's job offer, he had been offered four athletic director posts at Division I-A schools.

"There were a lot of people at the University of Kentucky that never thought I was going to leave. What I was waiting for was the right place."

So what's so special about Villanova?

"I loved it when I came to campus in 1976. I thought maybe I'd like to be the football coach here because I was the assistant at Youngstown State. Then when I got out of coaching, this became a school I'd be interested in should an opening ever occur."

After coming for the interview in 1993, he was convinced Villanova was where he wanted to go. On his behalf, Coach Rick Pitino and C. M. Newton (Kentucky's athletic director) began a campaign to get him hired.

Pitino was out in Las Vegas at the time and called Fr. Dobbin three times at approximately 5 a.m. Vegas time. He eventually got a hold of the president and pled DeFilippo's case.

"He told Fr. Dobbin all about me, and I was fortunate enough to get selected," recalled DeFilippo. "They really bugged him. He probably said, 'If you guys stop calling me, I'll hire him.'"

DeFilippo is confident that Villanova's basketball program has developed into a consistent power.

"Villanova has emerged as a perennial power that will be a top 25 team. Some years we might be ranked eighth, some years we might be ranked 22nd."

He considers this team to be particularly good.

"This could possibly be one of the very best basketball teams we've had at Villanova."

He specifically points to four areas in which this year's squad excels: senior leadership, experience in big games, depth and good coaching.

But regardless of how the basketball team fares, the other athletic teams, other than those that have been trimmed back in the name of gender equity, have benefitted from DeFilippo's stay.

He won't make any promises as to how long he will stay at Villanova, but he certainly appears content for now.

Kornegay revitalized for senior season

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bounding or passing," said Kornegay. "I want to contribute every night."

Kornegay was an outstanding contributor at Georgetown with a career high 25 points in March. He also presided as the Chairman of the Boards in the Big East Tournament against Georgetown and Providence last season. This year, Kornegay will definitely get down to business.

The senior from Dudley, N.C. has many options riding on his final year of collegiate play.

"Depending on my performance this season, I could be a draft pick in the NBA or playing overseas somewhere," said Kornegay.

But, of course, his attitude shows that the team's hopes come first. Kornegay plays for the team.

Kornegay is focused on the task at hand. He plays with tenacious intensity to get the job done, to be victorious.

Academic support system ensures more than just athletic eligibility

By JOE PATTERSON
Preview Editor

For the basketball program, it's not simply about keeping the kids eligible. With a strong support network in place, the players are given the prodding and guidance necessary to graduate.

"Nancy White and Dan Regan do a very good job in their academic advising," said Athletic Director Gene DeFilippo.

"We emphasize as soon as the student-athletes come on campus that they've got to manage their time," said Regan, director of academic advising. "That's the most important thing in terms of the adjustment."

It is this time management that allows Villanova's student-athletes to remain within a reasonable distance of the student body's norm. According to DeFilippo, athletes posted a GPA of 2.84 last year, only slightly below the 2.90 for the rest of the school.

In fact, because of the vigilance of the coaching staff, the basketball players tend to do better during the season than during the off-season. Regan also attributes this phenomena to the fact that the heavy demands on their time prevent the players from adopting some of the habits that get other students into trouble. DeFilippo credits the coaching staff, especially Steve Lappas, with the team's ability to stay out of academic trouble.

"He makes such a big deal out of missing class, so that nobody does," said DeFilippo, adding that there is a common agreement that missed classes will result in early morning practices. The coaches like to enlist the services of the faculty in keeping tabs on the players. Regan explained that sometimes these efforts aren't appreciated by certain faculty members.

"Some professors get very upset," he said.

He openly admits that there are certain faculty members that he advises the athletes not to take.

"We have bigots against athletes [here at Villanova]. Fortunately, I'm a tenured faculty member for 30 years, so I know most of the bigots."

Normally, the players can construct their schedules around the team's practice times. But if there is a conflict that involves a required course, the coaches are expected to adjust the practice schedule. As for specific scheduling problems such as classes filling up, the Athletic Department goes to the department heads. Unlike other national programs, the athletes here aren't given the first crack at classes.

"We're not allowed to pre-register them like 95 percent of Division I schools are," said Regan, claiming there is no preferential treatment and that athletes must go through drop/add if they have any problems with their classes.

To ensure that the players are setting aside time for their studies, the basketball team runs a study hall which is monitored by the coaching staff, in particular Jim Salmon and Steve Pinone. Furthermore, any player who desires help is set up in one-on-one tutoring, the cost of which is covered by the Athletic Department. For the freshmen, a mentoring program was established to help the transition from high school. According to Regan, the students sometimes were such superstars in high school that they weren't forced to take their academics seriously.

"They're bright enough on their own, but they've never been asked to work. What we do is try to get on them right away."

As for the admissions standards, Regan admits that scholarship athletes are sometimes given a break.

"It's very clear that all the scholarship athletes are given leeway in terms of normal admissions, just like for a child of a big donor," he said. "But the coaches do a good job of recruiting kids who can make it at Villanova."

Inevitably, the players will miss classes during the course of the season. To diminish the problems associated with these conflicts, the basketball program sends the professors a list of all the classes that will be missed.

"[The players] are expected to make up all the work when they miss and Gene [DeFilippo] does a pretty good job of scheduling so that they miss a minimum number of classes," said Regan.

"I knew that academics were really important to us my first year here," said DeFilippo.

He likes to tell a story about a road trip during his first year.

"We went to Syracuse and really got pounded by like 25. The next game was in Connecticut, and we got pounded there by 30. We were on the bus driving back from Hartford and it was snowing like crazy. I was ready to go to sleep and turned around. [Eric] Eberz had a test the next day and he had a book out in front of him and was studying. . . I really really knew at that time that I was at the right place."

The players must maintain a 2.00 GPA to remain eligible. The only exception is for the first semester of a player's freshman year, during which time he must get at least a 1.7 average. Normally, a basketball player takes 15 credits during the Fall semester and 12 during the Spring term. To get the required credits to graduate on time, the players typically take summer classes.

In the end, DeFilippo sees the academic aspect as one the strong points of Villanova's athletic programs. With the support groups that are in place, the members of the basketball team are able to optimize their time both on the court and off.

Vacated leader post falls on Beisel's shoulders

By DON MEIER
Preview Editor

As the women's basketball team prepares to begin its new season, it is heading into pretty much uncharted waters. The team's four top starters from last season, who also happened to be four of the top five scorers, were lost to graduation. A youth movement is underway. There is a need for experience and leadership. Enter Jenn Beisel.

Beisel, the team's third-leading scorer from last season, is back this year. She will bridge the gap between the Villanova teams of the last couple of seasons and the team that is just now forming its own identity. Beisel rang up her 8.6 ppg while also playing the third-most minutes on last year's team, about 25 per game. The 5-foot-9 junior forward from St. Hubert's High School in Philadelphia also collected 4.4 rebounds per contest. Beisel also prides herself on playing at both ends of the floor, as she is known as a stifling defender.

With the loss of so many key players, such as Sue Glenning and Denise Dillon, it is clear that someone has to fill the void and help lead this team on the court. Beisel knows that it will not be easy to replace those two clutch players that meant so much to the team.

"It's going to be tough," Beisel said. "Denise and Sue gave us all the leadership and experience."

Beisel seems to be prepared to meet this challenge, however.

"I want to step up and take that role," Beisel said. "I want to be a leader, on and off the court. That's my goal."

Junior forward Jenn Beisel will have a prominent role in the development of the team's many young players.

Beisel emphasized that this does not mean that she has to become the team's leading scorer. She refuses to set any individual goals for herself in terms of points or accolades.

"We're an unselfish team," Beisel commented. "We shouldn't be concerned about our individual goals."

"I want to be able to step up in crunch time and score, but I'm not going to be upset if everyone is scoring. I think our team is probably going to have four people in double figures. I can score, [Jenn] Sliwa can score, Shanette [Lee] can score and Jenea [Skeeters] can score. We don't have one main person. I want to do the best I can to take that role, but as a team we can all take that role."

While the team may not have any proven clutch scorers as of yet, Beisel does see the Cats as having a pivotal strength.

"We're a very good defensive team," Beisel said.

This is important for such a young team that may not know from where its points are going to come from on any given night. Mastering a fundamental concept like strong team defense could go a long way in making up for some other deficiencies that may appear due to the youth factor. Beisel considers defense to be the strongest aspect of her game. This is a sign of an unselfish player. It is much more difficult to look at the box score and see that someone played great defense, as opposed to figuring out that someone played well offensively. Beisel is clearly a player who will not go out and try to make herself look good on a score sheet at the expense of her team.

However, one thing that a team player is more likely to do is to set team goals.

"My team goal would be to win the Big Five again and make it to the Tournament before I graduate," Beisel said.

The Cats won the Big Five last season. A trip to the NCAA Tourney, on the other hand, is something that has proven much more elusive for Villanova in recent years. Despite the team's 21-7 record last season and a 19 win tally in Beisel's freshman season, the Cats have been denied entrance into the field both times. Coach Harry Perretta tries to calm his players by saying that they can only do their best and then hope for the best. The rest is out of their hands. This is true, but it is still hard to accept after a season of blood, sweat, tears and hope. In the end the players are still left disappointed.

"I feel like we got ripped off," Beisel said of her past tourney troubles. "I still don't understand why we didn't go. They said it was because of the schedule that we played, but it's still hard to deal with."

For the most part, the team that felt that sting is gone. There are talented young players back who were there, such as Beisel, Lee and Sliwa, but it was not *their* team. Now it is. A new era has begun. Beisel will be able to teach the many players younger than herself how to play with the fire and intensity displayed by her departed teammates. This time around, anything can change. Look for Beisel to try and erase past disappointments as this new team forges ahead.

Sliwa sliding into prominent role

By DAVID STOUT
Preview Reporter

The 1996-97 Villanova women's basketball team is full of talented players, but it is difficult to find many with experience. This void was created by the graduation of four key players, including standouts Sue Glenning (14.8 ppg, 4.0 rpg) and Denise Dillon (15.1 ppg, 7.5 rpg). Dillon, 'Nova's fifth all-time scorer and sixth all-time rebounder, was a Second Team Big East performer last season. This year's squad contains only two seniors and three juniors. Sophomores and freshmen comprise most of the roster. Compounding matters is that, of the returnees, only a few have played significant minutes.

One player who has seen minutes is sophomore Jenn Sliwa. After serving as a backup last year, the 6-foot-1 Indiana native is ready to step up her play. Although a sophomore in terms of eligibility, this year is Sliwa's third at 'Nova as she redshirted her freshman season. In fact, it was the opportunity to redshirt that made 'Nova enticing to Sliwa. The option to take a year to adjust socially and academically before worrying about basketball would be in her best interest.

The extra year of practice would give her an advantage of sorts over most players when her time came.

That time is now. Sliwa is one player whose game is expected to improve and help offset the key losses from last season. Although her statistics, 3.8 ppg and 3.6 rpg in 16 minutes, will certainly improve, Sliwa's role on the team is more than to increase production.

"My role is to keep the team positive," Sliwa said. "We're so young that we're going to have a lot of rough times. It's important that the team doesn't get down, especially the freshmen. I want to be a leader, someone that my teammates can look to."

Defense and versatility are the strengths of Sliwa's game. Sliwa communicates and moves around well to help her teammates defensively. Despite her size, Sliwa is effective inside and out. The ability to play several positions usually equates to more playing time.

Sliwa can play the three, four and five spots. It is not the opportunity for increased playing time that is the motivation in this case. Instead, Sliwa sees it as another opportunity to help the team.

"I work so hard to be versatile because it helps the team win," said Sliwa. "If I can be effective from more than one spot it gives the coach many more options and allows the team to have different looks."

Sliwa has the ability to post up her defender or she can step outside and hit the three. Last season's shooting (32.1 percent overall, 20.5 percent on three-pointers) is not accurate indication of her shooting ability. Admittedly, Sliwa would get frustrated when her shot was not falling and this led to more misses. With increased confidence and maturity, her percentages should rise considerably.

With such a young team it would not be fair to say that the team must win a certain number of games for the season to be successful. Because freshmen and sophomores will be playing in important stretches of the game, it is expected that the team will struggle at times especially early in the season. Sliwa sees this season as an opportunity for the Wildcats to learn how to play together and learn their teammates' strengths and weaknesses. The core of this team will remain the same for the next few seasons, so it is important that the players are comfortable with each other on the court. This season could be called a rebuilding year, but that does not mean that the team will not be competitive.

"We are not NCAA material, but two years from now, my senior year, we will be," added Sliwa. "You have to start somewhere, and it takes a lot of work to overcome the loss of the type of players we did. You can't just put five players on the floor and expect to win."

1996-97 Women's Basketball Schedule

November		
8	Ted's Elite AAU Exhibition	8:00 pm
20	Lithuania National Team	7:30 pm
30	Thanksgiving Invitational	
	DePaul University	
	Villanova vs. Alcorn State	TBA
	DePaul vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay	TBA
December		
1	Consolation	2:00 pm
2	Championship	4:00 pm
4	at Rutgers	7:30 pm
8	at St. Joseph's	2:00 pm
12	Temple	7:30 pm
21	LaSalle	2:00 pm
29	Wildcat Christmas Classic	
	Alaska-Anchorage vs. Kentucky	2:00 pm
	Villanova vs. Fairfield	4:00 pm
30	Consolation	Noon
	Championship	2:00 pm
January		
2	at Providence	6:00 pm
4	St. John's	4:00 pm
7	at West Virginia	7:00 pm
9	Syracuse	7:30 pm
12	Notre Dame	2:00 pm
14	at Pennsylvania	7:00 pm
19	Georgetown	2:00 pm
22	at Seton Hall	7:30 pm
25	Boston College	2:00 pm
29	Pittsburgh	7:30 pm
February		
2	at Miami	Noon
6	West Virginia	7:30 pm
9	at Syracuse	2:00 pm
12	Rutgers	7:30 pm
16	at St. John's	2:00 pm
19	at Notre Dame	7:00 pm
22	at Connecticut	7:30 pm
25	Providence	7:30 pm
March		
1-4	Big East Tournament (Storrs, Conn.)	TBA

Women to begin youth movement

By DON MEIER
Preview Editor

As the women's basketball team prepares to tip off its new season, it will again be faced with a great deal of adversity. Last year few thought that Harry Perretta's experienced squad would be much better than mediocre. It then proceeded to exceed all expectations and run up an impressive 21-7 mark. This year they will be forced to overcome the challenge of losing last year's top two scorers, Denise Dillon and Sue Glenning. With a few holdovers from last year's team and an influx of fresh new talent, the Wildcats are ready to try and buck the odds again this season.

Despite the dawn of a new era, Perretta's goals remain the same. As always, he is reluctant to set any specific, numerical goals for his young team.

"Our goals are always the same," Perretta commented. "We just want to try and play the best that we're capable of playing. I think that sometimes people make a mistake when they put a goal on a number of games to win or lose. I think that you should just put a goal on trying to play to your potential. That's the only thing we try to worry about. Because if you play to your potential, you're going to win a certain amount of games, and you're going to lose a certain amount of games."

Perretta and his team could not have helped but to have been disappointed by their omission from last year's NCAA Tournament field. The Cats were slighted after winning 21 games last year. They were left out in the cold in 1994-1995 after posting 19 victories. Perretta refuses to be bitter about these decisions or to set a Tournament appearance as a goal.

With the loss of numerous key players, sophomore Shanette Lee will be counted on to provide some points and strong defense.

"If you look at it from a sense that they didn't take you, you're a failure--that's the wrong way to look at it," Perretta said. "So I don't consider us being successful or not successful [by] making the Tournament."

When comparing this year's team to those of the last two years that won 40 games between them, Perretta notices one glaring difference.

"Experience would be the biggest thing that this year's team does not have," Perretta said. "[The last two years' teams] were very experienced. I would compare this year's team to last year's team three years ago. When they got experience, they won."

Perretta does have a group of three returnees that saw a good deal of action in last year's campaign. The team's top scorer returning from last year's team is 5-foot-9 junior forward Jenn Beisel, who registered 8.6 ppg last season while collecting 4.4 rpg. The local product of St. Hubert's in Philadelphia also logged the most minutes of any returnee and twice appeared in the starting lineup. Another Philadelphian, 5-foot-7 sophomore guard Shanette Lee from Merion Mercy, averaged 4.5 ppg last year. Lee also amassed 36 steals and 91 boards. Six-foot-1 sophomore guard Jenn Sliwa also saw significant time last season. Sliwa chipped in with 3.8 ppg and 3.6 rpg.

Perretta has a great deal of confidence in this core group.

"I would say that going into this year they would be our key players because of the experience factor," Perretta said.

A couple of other experienced players are the team's captains, both of whom are seniors. Both Beth Anne Bradshaw (6-foot-1, center) and Michelle Gaziano (5-foot-11, forward) will play a big role in helping this young team to establish its identity, as well as providing some very key minutes. Junior Jenny Higgins will bring experience while swinging between the guard and forward positions. Classmate Alix Livermont will also hope to chip in at the guard position.

What makes or breaks this team, however, will be how quickly this raw collection of talent molds itself into a savvy, experienced unit, because Perretta has no doubts about the talent level.

"This season will be very interesting because we are so young," said Perretta.

Perretta isn't kidding. About two-thirds of the team's roster is either freshmen or sophomores. In addition to sophomores Lee and Sliwa, minutes will be provided in the middle by classmates Shannon Ferretti (6-foot-2, center) and Priscilla Rosenthal (6-foot-4, center),

The team's x-factor is its strong recruiting class. There are five freshmen on the roster for Perretta this season.

"They all have talent," Perretta said of his frosh, "but you don't know what they're going to do because they're freshmen."

The recruit farthest from home is 5-foot-8 guard Megan Stewart, who hails from Maroochydore, QLD, Australia. She will become the first foreign player to play for Perretta in his 18 years at Villanova. She will be counted on to help solidify the team's backcourt.

Jenea Skeeters (5-foot-11, forward) comes to the Cats with excellent credentials. She was a finalist for Miss Basketball in Indiana and won her conference player of the year award as a junior. Perretta is very excited about the multi-faceted game that Skeeters will bring to the table.

Lauren Pellicane (5-foot-7, guard) will provide even more depth in the backcourt for the Cats. Perretta especially values her because of her ability to run the point in his system.

Perretta rounded out this year's class with two local players. Five-foot-9 forward Megan Crawford comes to the Cats from perennial national powerhouse Cardinal O'Hara in Havertown. Mary Beth Snell (5-foot-8, guard) attended Nazareth Academy in Northeast Philadelphia and will try to work her way into the backcourt rotation.

Perretta also added two new assistants to his coaching staff. Joe Mullaney will lend Perretta a hand after previously serving 12 years as the coach at St. John's. The other new assistant is definitely not a new face on campus. Denise Dillon, last year's leading scorer, is returning this year as an assistant to her former coach. She will bring her in-depth knowledge of the program and an ability to better relate to the players, having so recently been there herself.

Perretta is prepared to dive headfirst into this new, challenging and very different season.

"This season will be very interesting because we're so young," Perretta said. "We're deep, but very young. We have two players, at least, at every spot who could challenge to play. It's kind of fun in one way because you never know what's going to happen. But we may take some losses because of that, especially early in the season. We're just building for the future. . . We're just going to try and go out and bring them along."

Do not take Perretta too seriously when he talks about "rebuilding." With his talented crop of young players, you may want to instead consider *it reloading. Expectations are consistently low for Perretta's teams.* He consistently exceeds them. Do not be surprised if his team is again knocking on the NCAA Tournament's door. This time, cross your fingers. Maybe

Perretta hoping to mold raw talent into title contender

By DON MEIER
Preview Editor

Villanova women's basketball Coach Harry Perretta knows the value of experience when it comes to playing basketball at the collegiate level. He acknowledges that this is one of the main ingredients missing from his squad at the start of this new season. What the players lack in experience, however, their coach makes up for. This will be Perretta's 18th year at the helm here at Villanova. In a profession where burning out is all too common, Perretta continues to sail along. He is obviously a man who enjoys what he does.

"I get enjoyment for a couple reasons," Perretta said. "I like Villanova; I like the people here and I've made a lot of good friends here . . . Villanova is a very good environment. I think that sometimes we as students and as administrators take the environment for granted. We have such a nice place here that we sometimes knock it.

"So the enjoyment on one hand is getting to know all the people, and the enjoyment on the other hand is just the enjoyment of coaching, always having a different group of kids every year. It's almost like you're starting over again every year. It's very refreshing to me."

Despite having outstanding seasons the last two years, the Cats' bubble has popped come NCAA Tournament Selection Sunday. This has to have left Perretta just a little bit discouraged after all the hard work he and his teams had put in, even if he refuses to admit it.

"I think that it's all in the eye of the beholder," Perretta said. "That's where you go back to the theory that we played the best we could. We won 19 [in 1994-1995]. We won 21 [in 1995-1996]. Now if that's not good enough for the committee, then we can't do anything about that. That's the way we look at it."

Perretta insists that he will not let it bother him.

"I guess I don't get upset about it only because I know that my team did the best that it could," Perretta said. "It's a subjective thing. There's criteria to pick the teams, but no matter how much of that criteria you have, it's still subjective to the people in that room."

Being that the Cats have had a good deal of success lately, Perretta has to wonder if there's any way that more fans could appear in the seats to watch his team play. Despite posting a 21-7 record last year, the average attendance for the Cats' 11 home games was only 735. The average attendance for the team's road games was more than twice that figure. Again, Perretta takes it in stride.

"I think it's relative," Perretta said. "I think the media plays a big role in fan support. For example, in Steve Lappas's first year as men's coach his team wasn't perceived as being very good and they only sold about 150 season tickets. I wish it wasn't like that; I wish you didn't have to win a lot to get support. I'd like to see the fans come out and support every team, but realistically I know that doesn't happen."

Besides whether or not the team is winning the media, Perretta also mentioned competition and location as big factors in fan support. When UConn comes to town, a former national champion, there are thousands of fans in the seats.

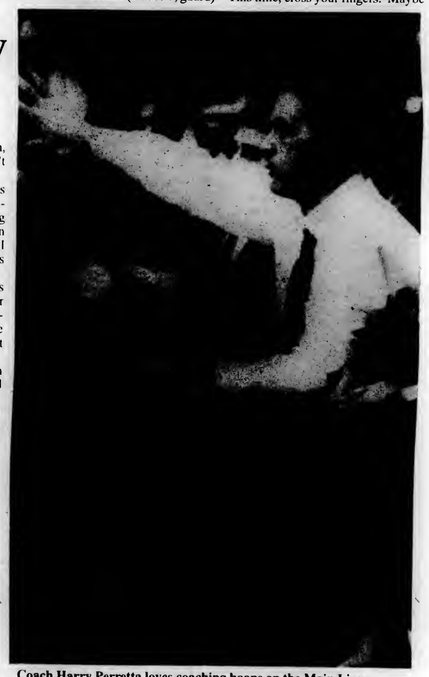
Perretta also cited Philadelphia as a tough market for competition for one's entertainment dollar, as compared to someplace like Syracuse where the average attendance about 2,000 fans a game.

Perretta does remember when things were different around Villanova.

"When we had the best player in the country in '85-86, we were getting close to 2000 a game," Perretta recalled. "It just goes to show you that when you win an extraordinary amount of the time, or you have a phenomenon like we had with the player of the year, you get support. I would just hope that, not just in our sport but in every sport, we'd go back to the old-fashioned way of supporting every team regardless of who they are or what sport it is."

After spending 18 years on the Main Line, there is one thing that definitely has not changed for Harry Perretta. Whether he is winning or losing, he still loves his job.

The scenery around him may undergo constant renovations, but he still loves to coach women's basketball at Villanova.



Coach Harry Perretta loves coaching hoops on the Main Line, which is obvious when you consider the length of his tenure.

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Homecoming brings alumni to campus

By KATHY MIRESCU
Staff Reporter

Students, staff, faculty and alumni gathered at the University this past weekend to partake in the anticipated Homecoming festivities, which have been the subject of much campus debate recently.

Attending the Wildcat Roar on Friday night in duPont Pavillion was the kickoff event for the weekend, serving as an annual pep rally for both the women's and men's basketball teams. Aside from introducing the athletes and coaches of the respective teams, other various forms of entertainment were provided.

The Villanova cheerleaders and pom squad performed, a musical laser show was presented, and video clips of past basketball performances were shown. To further arouse the crowd Budweiser-sponsored stuntmen displayed their slam-dunking skills.

Following the event, freshman Sarah Lousada noted, "I didn't realize how much school spirit Villanova really has."

The Homecoming Committee, chaired by Gary Olsen, director of Alumni Affairs, and including student representitives Kevin Klesh, Angel Volpe, Pete Acton and Sheldon Pollock, worked to include all members of the community and to provide activities for underclassmen.

"It's so hard to please everyone," said Acton, student Government Association (SGA) president. "There are so many constituencies involved."

From 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. alumni, their families, and the Class of '97 were invited to a picnic on Sheehan Beach. Due to the presence of alcoholic beverages at the picnic, free activities not involving alcohol were available in the area from the Connelly Center to the Quad such as the snow expo and simulated mountain climbing and snowboarding, among others.

Also from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. the radio station Q102 provided a free live broadcast on South Campus while free food was being offered in front of Donahue Hall.

Also on Saturday, the football team defeated the University of Rhode Island Rams by a score of 34-17. Free admission for students with Wildcards and free tickets for the children of alumni, " . . . helped put the focus [of Homecoming] back where it should be . . . on the football [game]" said Volpe.

The Office of Student Development also worked to promote the game and school spirit by expending the funds necessary to purchase the complimentary pom poms given to students.

Homecoming has traditionally been a means of uniting the Villanova community, exemplifying pride and commitment to the University, said Volpe. "The Community went into it with an open mind and got out of it everything the University offered," she added.

PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

This past weekend's Homecoming festivities included halftime recognition of the Homecoming Court.

Campus landscape will get new look

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Assistant News Editor

A master landscape plan for the Villanova campus is currently in effect regarding provisions for the future and will be sent to the Board of Trustees for approval in six months.

A committee composed of Villanova administration, vice-president of the University, Dr. Helen K. Lafferty, a member of the Board of Trustees, the vice-president of the Student Government Association (SGA), Sheldon Pollock, and a diverse group of students chosen from different sects of the community, are currently discussing the formation of a master landscape plan for the campus, according to Kevin O'Donnell of Facilities Services.

The plans began six months ago and upon completion, will be sent to the Board of Trustees for approval in the following six months. The desire for change occurred in response to recent construction and changes people have been noticing in the landscape.

The Board of Trustees felt that there should be a comprehensive plan to assure that "as we improve the campus, we have a consistent policy," O'Donnell said. The University has hired the nationally known landscaping firm Andropogon Associates Ltd. to do the job.

The committee has met four times in the past six months, the first two meetings were spent interviewing and evaluating different firms and their proposals.

They discuss such things as deficiencies, which O'Donnell believes would be too premature to disclose at this point. However, he said that an example of a deficiency would be the location of trash dumpsites and how they could impact on the beauty of the campus.

O'Donnell stated, "There are no plans to do anything yet. We are investigating different aspects of the landscape. We haven't even begun to talk to Andropogon Associates about our concerns in the landscape and their concepts."

Conversely, he said, "We have addressed some of the areas of concern. We have brought those up in discussions."

Some areas of concern would be walking spaces on the campus, how

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FILE PHOTO

The University's annual Special Olympics Festival will kick off today.

Special Olympic athletes will compete at annual Fall Festival

By VIVIAN BLANCO
Staff Reporter

The Special Olympics' Fall Festival at the University starts today and lasts all weekend long. Committee members and over 2,000 volunteers from both inside and outside the campus will come together to support the event.

"I encourage the community and students to come," said Jenn Gamper, the Festival Director at the University. "It's never too late to volunteer. We welcome people at any time."

The mentally and physically challenged compete in the Fall Festival in five different sports. Powerlifting, soccer and volleyball are held on campus. Long distance running and roller skating are sponsored at Radnor High School and the Villanova Skating Arena.

"What's unique about the Fall Fest, is that when people come from off campus they are surprised at the amount of students who volunteer for the benefit of others," said Sarah Sturges, a senior volunteer and director of Administration. "The fact that students volunteer at 6 and 7 a.m. on a Saturday morning is impressive," said Sturges.

Volunteers take part in every aspect of the Special Olympics. They serve as athlete escorts, line judges and aid in the awards ceremonies. The 30 student committee members have been coordinating the event since February.

"A lot of leadership and organization is involved in bringing in different people to work together who normally wouldn't work together," added Paul Failla, the Powerlifting Chairperson.

"The Pennsylvania Special Olympics chooses Villanova every year because all the students are very receptive to the idea of volunteering. I've gotten the most out of this program with the team aspect. There are some wonderful people to work with on this project," said Brian Atkinson, the On-Campus Volunteers chair.

"The committee is working hard to put everything together. The rewards will definitely be overwhelming," said Chrissy Burke, the soccer assistant.

"I hope the whole Villanova community gets out of it the appreciation for others, and that they see the dedication and work put in by the athletes. It's learning to achieve goals and striving for what you want," said Gamper, who has been involved with Special Olympics for four years. "I was always interested in people who had disabilities. When I saw the smiles on their faces freshman year, I felt like I got something back."

"The Special Olympics started here seven years ago on campus, as a state soccer competition. Then the idea of a Fall Festival came up," she added. "They didn't think it'd happen, but the administration helped it go through."

"I hope the 1996 Fall Festival is the best anyone has ever seen here at Villanova," said Gamper.

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EDITORIALS

Big surprise. All of our columnists wrote about the election. But really, it's worth reading each and every one of them. Also, check out UNIT's responses to recent complaints about computing services on campus. Apparently they think that the way to handle everyone's problems is to tell them that the problems don't really exist. Works for me.

FEATURES

If you didn't get enough Special Olympics coverage from that hard-hitting, investigative news piece on the front page, turn to Features and read exactly the same thing, only longer. Also, if you're one of those who can't stand being away from home for more than a day or two at a stretch, check out what services the University counseling center has to offer.

ENTERTAINMENT

You won't believe it. Apparently, Whoopi Goldberg actually starred in a bad movie. If we're lucky, she'll soon be making "Made in America Part II" and all will be right in the world again. If you're looking for something to do this weekend, check out Entertainment's look at the fun South Street has to offer. What can be more fun than getting liquored up and getting a Confederate flag tattooed on your butt?

SPORTS

The Wildcats stomped all over yet another opponent on the gridiron; check out Marc Angelaccio's coverage of the game against the Rams of Rhode Island. If you thought Angelaccio's political analysis was top-notch, just turn to his football article to see how good writing can be. But who cares about football when hoops has begun? Maybe it is just exhibition, but it's still not Division I-AA.

Modern Languages and Literature hosts second biannual conference

By CALISTA HARDEN
Assistant News Editor

The department of Modern Languages and Literature hosted its second biannual conference Nov. 1 and 2 on "Foreign Films and Literature." The conference is the only one of its kind in the east.

Over 80 participants from national universities such as Stanford, Harvard, University of Utah, North Carolina State, as well as Villanova, presented their papers and perspectives on international works.

Sessions covered Arabic, Chinese, cross-cultural, East European, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Spanish and other nationality world literature and films. A stage performance, film viewing, a workshop on subtitling and a Japanese tea ceremony also added to the event.

"The interest in foreign films and literature is there," said Rene Guy Mongeau, chair of the department of Modern Languages. "With the use of film and video becoming a greater part of our instruction, this conference was very timely," said Mongeau.

Dr. Antonio Roman, chair of the conference, concurred, "More students like to see how literature fits into films."

The conference was opened to faculty and students. About 200 students attended at least one session. "We insisted that the conference be held on campus so participants could see the campus and so students would have the wonderful opportunity to attend," said Mongeau.

Each of the over 30 sessions addressed topics with experts presenting their papers and a moderator. Some were conducted in English and others in the original language of the work. Topics included *Film, Literature and the Holocaust* (German), *A Portrait of Society/Women* (Cross-Cultural) and *Gender and Memory and/in New Basque Cinema and Literature* (Spanish). Some of the papers shared were "Militant Chastity: Recasting Indian Womanhood Through Television Serials" by Sujata Moorti of Old Dominion, "Faithful Infidelity: History, Narration and Image-ination in the novel and film version of Wang Shuo's *Dongwu Xiongment (Yangguang canlan de rizi)*" (Chinese) by Carlos Rojas of Columbia University and "Licking the Wound with Acid Saliva: De*Suturing* Male Subjectivity in Godard's 'Masculin-Féminin'"(French) by Tarek El-Ariss of the University of Rochester. The conference sought to explore many issues with many perspectives.

"Dark Habits," a comedy by Pedro Almodóvar and Fermín Cabal based on Almodóvar's film, was performed in English by the New York based International Art Theatre Institute Friday night. A discussion about the play with the director followed the performance.

The Spanish 1988 film release of *Dark Habits* about a drug-addicted nightclub singer seeking a haven in a peculiar convent was shown with English subtitles on Saturday as was János Szász's *Woyzeck*. A workshop, "Desktop Video and the Art of Translation: Subtitling Foreign Film on Video" was conducted by John Incledon of Albright College. Incledon showed a clip of a foreign film with subtitles done by students.

The special techniques and skills for subtitling were introduced. Software for desktop subtitling was also discussed.

A Japanese tea ceremony capped off the conference Saturday. The spiritual and social ceremony was led by professors Masako Hamada and Masako Nakagawa.

The discussion on foreign films and literature will continue on campus.

The Modern Language department published its second volume on foreign literature and films for the conference. An exhibit about foreign films and literature is also on display on the first floor of Falvey Library.

VEMS works to obtain license for ambulance by next year

By JANNA DOUVILLE
Staff Reporter

The Villanova Emergency Medical Service (VEMS) is hoping to receive a license on Jan. 1 that will enable it to transport injured persons directly to the hospital.

The ambulance will be driven by trained VEMS members and will be free of charge to any transported person.

Previously, VEMS was permitted only to respond and treat those who were in need of medical assistance. With this required license from the state of Pennsylvania, along with the purchase of a brand new ambulance, VEMS will also be certified to bring victims to the hospital if necessary. This procedure will allow for quicker and more efficient treatment in an emergency.

The desire to provide this service has grown from the increasing number of calls VEMS has received. Matt Mascia, treasurer of VEMS said, "The call volume is increasing every year." In the 1995-1996 school year, VEMS responded to 420 calls needing medical assistance. The number is expected to be even larger this year seeing as by the end of fall break in 1995, VEMS had responded to 38 incidents. At fall break this year, the number of calls was already up to 120.

In order to receive a license from the state, VEMS first needed a new ambulance. With the help of a loan granted by the University, the ambulance was ordered and delivered by the end of the summer. VEMS will fund the transportation to the hospital. This money will be earned primarily through fund-raisers such as the refrigerator rentals to undergraduates at the beginning of the semester.

Mascia added that of the approximate 50 VEMS members, 10 are presently permitted to drive the ambulance. The remaining members are now being trained and are required by the state of Pennsylvania to pass an operating test. By Jan.1, the goal is to have all members authorized to drive the ambulance.

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Students reflect on fall break Habitat for Humanity trips

By ELIZABETH PURCELL
Staff Writer

University students spent their fall break devoting time to helping underprivileged families during their trips sponsored by Habitat for Humanity.

Students and faculty advisors went to New Orleans, La., Columbus, Ga., Bend, Ore. and Beaufort, N. C.

Lt. Kurt Studlt, his wife Nikki, a University professor and another advisor for the trip to New Orleans, supervised and helped along with 21 students. The volunteers worked every morning from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on their designated projects. The group dug the foundations for the houses they worked on, laid out tile and installed doorknobs. It also helped with roofing and painted previously built homes. "I feel that we accomplished as much as a group as we possibly could have," said Studlt.

Mrs. Studlt said that she was greatly impressed with the students' ability to organize and cooperate with each other. She said, "There were many friendships formed as a result of learning to be patient with themselves and others while trying to survive in less than ideal surroundings." The group lived in a house ten blocks away from the French Quarter that is run year round by two permanent Habitat for Humanity residents.

John Jeffrey, coordinator for Residence Management of South Campus, was the faculty advisor on the Columbus trip with a group of 18 students. He recalled the night his group stayed up until 5:30 a.m. to reflect on their experiences. The group divided its time between three houses on the Habitat site. Jeffrey said, "Stepping back and seeing how the area looked when we arrived as compared to when we left was dramatic. It was amazing what could be done in a week's time." He said he felt that the members of the group accomplished all they had set out to do and had reached all of their goals.

The group also got the chance to meet some of the children who would be living in the neighborhood during a visit to the local elementary school. University student, Carita Porter said, " We thought that we were helping them, but they really helped us by giving us an appreciation for what we have here at Villanova."

University student, Dominick Mastropoalo made his third trip with Habitat when he went to Bend. Mastropoalo was in a group of 16. They laid a driveway, helped with roofing and hung drywall, he said. Mastropoalo said he felt the trip was a learning experience in accomplishing the kinds of tasks that college students are not accustomed to doing.

"We thought that we were helping them, but they really helped usby giving us an appreciation for what we have here at Villanova,"

Carita Porter, Habitat for Humanity volunteer

Student Robin Rieck, a member of the Beaufort group, enjoyed interacting with the people she was helping while her group renovated an old soup kitchen and converted an office building into a new one.

PHOTO COURTESY OF SHERI BALTZ

The University sends student volunteers on Habitat for Humanity trips each fall and spring break.

Campus landscape changes planned

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traffic patterns and parking impacts the safety of the students, the South campus entrance way being designated as an entrance to part of the University's campus, the Sheehan/Sullivan quad area, the Connelly Center plaza area adjacent to the main drive where there is a lot of concrete and little landscape, and the rear of Kennedy Hall currently a loading dock.

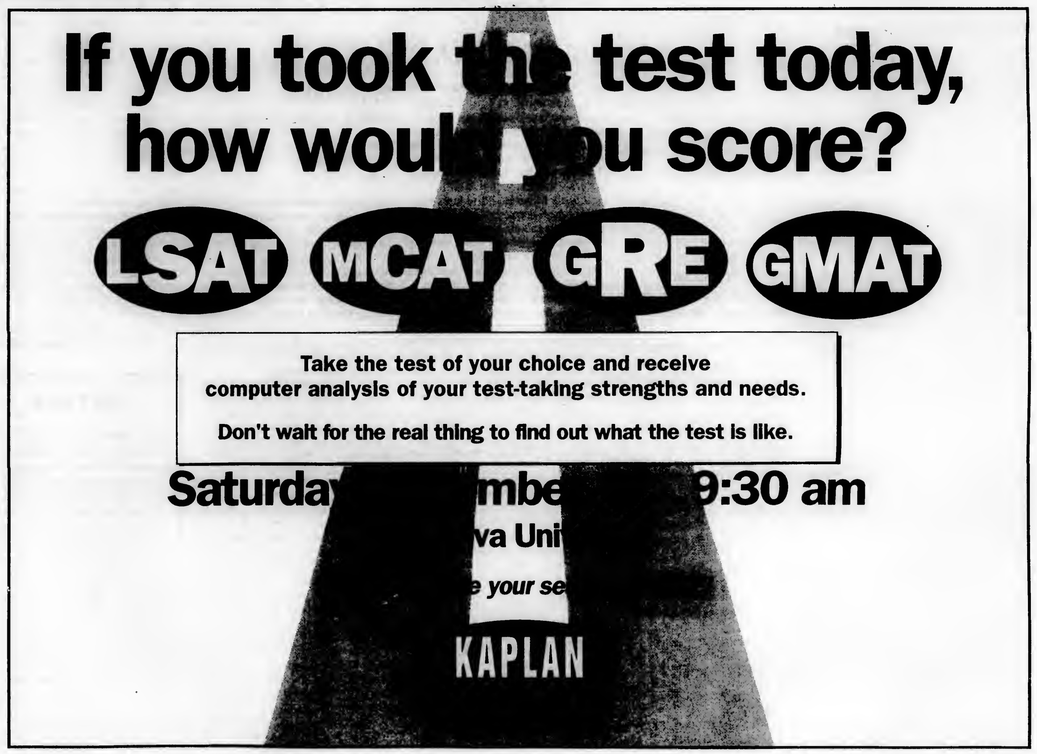
O'Donnell said, "The actual work that could be initiated from the master landscape plan, we don't have a time frame for." All funds for these plans are coming from the Board of Trustees.

He stated, "We do plan on, through media on the campus, to share with people the fact that we are doing the master plan and we are looking for their input."

The role of students in this plan is very important according to O'Donnell. He hopes that they will show their ideas and concerns to help make this a better campus.

After the master plan is submitted, they will compile a set of priorities which will be easier such as planting more flowers or rearranging the bicycle racks. Eventually after the Board reviews and approves the plan they will focus on pedestrian walkways because O'Donnell said, "We want Villanova to be a walking campus."

He said, "We do plan, as part of this process, to have a community forum." He encourages all students to address him with concerns and ideas whenever they want.



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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Advisement process needs major tune-up

As registration draws to a close, it is evident that the whole process has improved immensely in a short time. No longer must students wait in unbearably long lines and visit three different stations just to discover which sections of a class are still open.

However, despite the procedural improvements that have been made, the entire registration process at Villanova is flawed. The problems have nothing to do with the Registrar's Office or with any of the mechanics of registering. Instead, it is the pre-registration advisement process that is rife with shortcomings.

Put simply, the University has not made providing a quality advisement process a priority and it is students who are forced to pay for this decision. Too often, advisors are unaware of a college's graduation requirements and are unconcerned with a student's personal needs. Further, certain departments seem incapable of efficiently dealing with individual situations that don't fit the normal parameters.

Stories abound of seniors who discover that they have not fulfilled graduation requirements. On a less dramatic level, *many students receive little long term guidance from advisors* and really do not get the most out of their collegiate experience.

The ugliest aspect of this advising system occurs during the freshman year. At a time when students are likely to need the most guidance, they typically are given the least. The assignment of an advisor during this period is relatively random, which obviously can lead to harmful consequences.

For example, accounting professors serve as freshman advisors in the College of Commerce and Finance. There have been instances where advisors have ridiculed students for choosing a major other than accounting. Obviously, similar biases are present in almost any discipline. Such a situation is poor indeed.

The University needs to make quality advising a priority. Firstly, advisors need better training in the academic requirements in each college. Secondly, a less haphazard system for freshman advising should be developed in which *all* of a student's options are presented in a balanced fashion.

Obviously, advisement requires a tremendous time commitment by the faculty and they may resent the additional demands that these improvements require. But in the end, little is more important than allowing students a chance to maximize their opportunities and minimize their stress, thus allowing them the opportunity to make the most out of the undergraduate experience.

'Novan Poll

Have you encountered problems in the advising process?

In what ways can it be improved?

Are the requirements for graduation clear enough?

Does registration run smoothly?

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L E T T E R S

A community is every student's responsibility

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to David Greason's and Louis Manon's letter, "Black Male Athletes Shirk Responsibility," which appeared in *The Villanovan* two weeks ago. While I commend the authors' good intentions of having black male athletes play a more active role in contributing to the black community at Villanova, I think there is far more that can, and should, be demanded of *all* Villanovans, not just black male athletes.

As I read the letter I could "hear" the authors' distress of their "experience" at Villanova, as well as their disappointment of black male athletes, who have the potential for experiencing prejudice and racism on this predominantly white campus because of similar skin pigmentation, but who either fail to realize this, or not understand their need to contribute to making Villanova's campus a more inclusive community.

The authors' call to black male athletes to get involved, I believe, is a sincere effort to make the Villanova campus a more inclusive environment. That is, a campus that respects and values each individual, and has the ability to separate individuals from stereotypes; a campus where honest dialogue is encouraged and practiced between all members regarding issues of difference; a campus where differences are seen as an asset, and not a barrier.

The authors' immediate goal seems to imply the need to get those who have the highest potential for experiencing racist behavior in our community involved in eliminating such behavior and attitudes, which I commend. However, I am disturbed at a letter that uses simplistic racial reasoning to shame Villanova's black male athletes into "action." While I am not naive enough to think that the concerns facing the black community here at Villanova will be treated as seriously by those not "experiencing" the daily challenges felt by the black community, and other minority groups on the campus, although it is possible, I think there is a need to raise the majority's consciousness to the plight felt by those not in the mainstream, and call all members of the Villanova community to "action."

If our black male athletes and all members of the Villanova community understand and value the need for making Villanova a more inclusive community, a community where justice prevails for all its members, which I believe many would support, then our reasoning becomes moral. On a campus where most members espouse to Christian values, performing a function of making the community a more inclusive and accepting one, is everyone's "responsibility."

Morally, what is the right thing to do? Take responsibility. We each have a personal responsibility to make sure everyone in our community is valued and respected. Each member of the community has a responsibility to seek out ways to make the Villanova community and our society at large a more inclusive place for all of us to live. Start by examining personal prejudices and attitudes towards those different than you; join a club that can help you learn about differences and educate others (race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation); participate in events and activities that may help you learn about differences. Doing something would be doing the right thing.

Black male athletes: Do the Right Thing. All members of the Villanova community: Do the Right Thing.

Donald Godwin
Residence Life

Students skip opportunity to voice complaints

To the Editor:

On Oct. 22, Villanova Dining Services held an open forum to allow students to voice their concerns, complaints and questions about the food services they provide. Since my arrival at Villanova University last year, I have continually heard complaints about the food or the hours of meal plan, as well as many other aspects of Dining Services. Further, not only was the purpose of this meeting to express complaints, but also to help students understand certain aspects of Villanova Dining Services.

Yet, the student turnout at this meeting was less than commendable considering all of the "concerns" that have been raised. It is very discouraging that the heads of various Dining Services facilities and departments were willing to address the questions of students, yet the very students who have complaints did not even make an effort to attend this meeting. In fact, the only representatives of the student body were student government members. Granted, this is the purpose of the Student Government Association, that is, to represent the student body and their concerns, yet it is nearly impossible to express every individual concern or question. While this letter is mostly about the Dining Services forum, it also carries over to other aspects of student life. In order to see things changed, one cannot sit back and merely talk about the problems on campus or even in the world— words do not accomplish great things, but actively trying to make improvements does.

As for the meeting, rest assured that the student government members in attendance did their best to express the concerns and questions that plague the student body. The Villanova Dining Services representatives sincerely listened to and addressed these issues particularly those of the chaotic atmosphere and overcrowding in the Day Hop and Dougherty Hall during certain times, the number of points students have, and the decrease in meal plan hours at the Belle Air Terrace and Bartley Cafe. They will be working on extended meal plan hours in the Connelly Center on the weekends and possibly in Bartley Cafe, as well as attempting to alleviate the crowding in the Day Hop and providing nutritional information about the food being served. They also explained that meal plan points are intended to be a supplement, not a complement, to the meal plan when one cannot make the dining hall hours. They are also willing to have more of these forums, they will be going around the dining halls and talking with students about their concerns, and they really do read the "Speak Out"cards and make adjustments accordingly. In addition they discussed the fact that Dougherty hall will be renovated in the next two years; they have been to other colleges to see what might work best, and they are willing to have input from students. Lastly, while this forum was publicized, they promised to do a better job for the next meeting.

Most importantly students, concerns and questions can only be addressed if time is taken to read the signs and pamphlets instead of throwing them away, and attending the meetings may just lead to a positive outcome.

Andrea Maresca
Student Government Cabinet

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Third parties offer alternatives for finicky voters

By ANN GAVAGHAN

Because the voting process allows for absolute secrecy, and it's no one's business who I vote for, I wish all you people would stop asking. After all, it's not like I'm some influential pundit whose vote is going to sway the course of the election. And frankly, there are more interesting topics to discuss, like why *Villanovan* editors keep getting engaged at such an alarming rate. The results are in, and my one little vote didn't push anyone over the top (though it did put someone within 10 votes of victory).

However, in the spirit of pandering to public opinion, I will give in to the clamoring of the masses somewhat and tell who didn't get my vote. I didn't pull that lever for Dole. I didn't make a mark for Perot. And I didn't vote for Clinton.

Not vote for Clinton? Gauging from the reaction I've heard, my not voting for Clinton is akin to the Pope not voting pro-life. It's an outrage, a betrayal, a repudiation of the left. But why, I ask? To me, Clinton is the one who repudiated the left. He openly appealed to the left in 1992, but with his actions in office, he's shown himself to be a man swayed more by the fluctuations of public opinion polls than his own conviction. Would any good liberal (even a country club communist) agree that teen drivers should undergo mandatory drug testing? Clinton proposed such a program a couple of weeks ago. He didn't propose it for anyone of voting age, just teenagers (I wonder if Chelsea's going to have to pee in a plastic cup when she gets her license?)

What a convenient way to appear to be fighting drugs right before the election, eh?

Now perhaps I'm being young and idealistic, but I cannot, in good conscience, vote for someone who is a wolf in sheep's clothing. It's hard to vote for someone calling himself a Democrat when he has co-opted Republicanism in all but name. After all, if I wanted to be a Republican, I'd be writing Joe Patterson's column. But then again, in today's political climate, the Democrats are virtually identical to the Republicans, and vice versa.

not just another load...

It's not only the political aspects of Clinton I find distasteful, however. Look at how many friendships Clinton has destroyed because of his actions in the White House. Would I want to be friends with the most powerful man on the planet if I knew that at any moment, he might decide my trust and loyalty were not politically advantageous to him? Clinton claims to emulate one of the greatest presidents of all: Harry S. Truman. But no matter what one may think politically of Truman (and in his time, people regarded him as a flyweight), he never forgot those who helped him. During his entire career, he was plagued by allegations dating back to his involvement with the Prendergast political machine. When Boss Prendergast died, Truman went to the funeral, even though he knew that by doing so, he would dredge up old memories of his involvement. To him, allegations of wrongdoing didn't matter. Truman had learned that some things, like friendship, marriage, and family, are more enduring than politics. I don't think Clinton's learned that lesson yet. He's had a fast rise to the presidency. But once his second term ends, at age 54, and Clinton is forced into political retirement, will he find himself discarded by those who no longer regard him as a political advantage?

So what's a young, independent-minded gal like myself supposed to do? Aside from writing myself in, I made the obvious choice to turn to third parties. The third party has oft been maligned as the refuge of wackos and extremists, but such a theory fails to account for the presence of such moderates as Phyllis Schlafly in the Republican Party. I'll admit that there are some third party candidates who are extremists (remember the LaRouche protestors?), but many of them have ideas that can and should be co-opted by the mainstream. For example, where did the whole idea of budget-cutting come from? Conservatives trumpet it as the idea of Gingrich, but can't its current popularity be traced back to Ross Perot (once all the down-home sayings are translated into English, that is)? Third parties can also bring the questionable policies of the big two to the public's attention. Many people (though not myself) believe the "legalize all drugs" stance of the Libertarian party is rather extreme. But such a stance may make a related issue, such as the opposition to mandatory minimum sentences for crack seem less wacky--especially in a political climate where it seems like Tarzan writes policy statements: "Drugs bad. Jail good."

So I don't care if professors read this and remember how naive they were as college students. I don't care if business school students don't think I'm practical enough. I don't care if political science majors are yelling that campaigns are dirty and mean. All I know is that I've managed to vote, to participate in the system, and do so without compromising myself. And besides, the best thing about voting third party is that none of the candidates win. So the next time some elected official is embroiled in yet another ethical scandal, I'll be laughing. You only have yourselves to blame. No Green or Libertarian or Reform party is going to be facing indictment.

Polls and cynicism taint elections

By JOE PATTERSON

Tuesday wasn't a very happy day, but I was prepared for it.

Bob Dole lost the race, but it was the presidential election process that was the biggest loser. Indeed, trends developed during this campaign that have serious implications concerning the future political landscape. Never before have the major media sources clung to polling data as gospel truth. For weeks before the election, the major newspapers and magazines, not to mention the network news, had all told us that Bill Clinton would be the next president.

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Clearly, there are many problems with polls. Firstly, polls don't rank the importance of an issue; they merely rate its popularity. As a result, issues that the voters find nebulous or boring fall by the wayside. Moreover, governing by polls leads to inefficiency and outright contradictions. Just look at the past four years. And yet polls, not issues, typically were the lead stories in this election. In fact, all the media sources combined conducted only 125 polls during the 1992 election. This time around, CNN, by itself, commissioned about 200 polls. This extraordinary growth can't be dismissed as merely the product of expanding technological capabilities. It represents a fundamental problem.

How can certain issues be thoroughly investigated if the media dismiss them as unimportant merely because they don't have an immediate impact on the polls? Further, how can the American people get excited about a candidate when they're told he has no chance of winning?

It's a travesty that most Americans believed they knew the result of the election before they voted. A democracy works best if the voters are left un-coerced; one's vote should not be unduly influenced by the votes of his fellow citizens. But the flood of polling data that accompanied this election certainly can be viewed as a coercive force. It's simply not natural to vote for a loser. In a sense, the polls become a self-fulfilling prophecy.

Of course, polls alone didn't sink Bob Dole's ship. He lambasted the liberal media, but then he followed their thinly-veiled urgings. They warned that discussing divisive issues would hurt his campaign, but a little excitement is exactly what Dole needed. The Dole/Kemp ticket shied away from conservative social issues such as abortion or the abolishment of preferential treatment. The pair instead focused on less moralistic concepts such as the economy, an area that Clinton held a considerable advantage.

Altogether, Dole did a poor job of communicating why the status quo was flawed. It seemed as though the Dole camp simply was expecting Clinton's many scandals to catch up with him. Maybe Dole didn't honestly *believe that a man who the majority* of America distrusts could be re-elected. Maybe he simply had too much faith in America's sense of decency.

Dole may get his satisfaction yet. The citizenry was unwilling to give Clinton the boot, but U.S. laws may be less forgiving.

Dole liked to hypothesize what four more years of Clinton would mean. Just possibly, though, the more appropriate discussion shouldn't be about what Bill Clinton will do during his next term, but whether he'll simply complete it. New scandals present themselves at an alarming rate, and they all seem to have staying power. These scandals go much deeper than whether or not the commander-in-chief is sleazy; they raise specific legal concerns.

In any event, cynicism about politics will only grow. And that's hardly a healthy situation for any democracy.

Patriotic phrases disguise abortion pain and reality

By BRIAN McCARTHY

"What happens to the mind of a person, and the moral fabric of a nation, that accepts the aborting of the life of a baby without a pang of conscience? What kind of a person, what kind of a society, will we have 20 years hence if life can be taken so casually?" In 1977, four years after Roe v. Wade, Jesse Jackson made this powerful statement. It has been over 20 years since Roe v. Wade, and I believe it is time to look back at what we, the United States, have wrought.

Since its legalization the pain of abortion has been hidden by the United States in many ways. In the 1970s, it was a Right to Privacy. Now in the 1990s, it is the Freedom to Choose. Both sound great. Both sound patriotic and American, but what about those directly affected by abortion? Do these words ease their pain? What does this wonderful right do to comfort a mother that will never again know the touch of her child? What Freedom of Choice have we given to a baby that was never able to defend his or her own life? These are the questions no one wants to think about, but these are the realities of abortion.

We live in a country in which 78 percent of the citizens would outlaw 93 percent of all abortions, yet the government does nothing to restrict abortion. How can we ever claim to be a society of life when we fail to protect the weakest and most vulnerable, the unborn? Many would say that they are indeed personally Pro-Life, but they feel that they do not have the right to tell others what to do. In a speech in Connecticut in 1860, President Lincoln punctured the "personally-opposed-but" line of argument by moving to specifics: "Let us apply a few tests. You say that you think slavery is wrong, but you denounce all attempts to restrain it. Is there anything else that you think wrong, that you are not willing to deal with as a wrong? Why are you so careful, so tender of this one wrong and no other?" Some say that abortion is different than slavery because abortion deals with a woman's ability to control her own body. To this I say, where do a woman's rights end and a baby's rights begin? In the law's eyes, during a confrontation the rights of my fist ends where the rights of your face begins. Why do we protect persons in this case, but not when they are most vulnerable?

If we truly want the United States to become a society of life, we must protect and value the lives of all people. From homelessness to abortion, we are failing as a people to respect the dignity of all human life. Abortion has not freed a gender and the pain caused by this act will not easily be healed.

The leaders of this country must have the courage to assert an inalienable right to life and only then can we begin on the road to becoming a society of life.

Political knowledge not needed to vote

By KAREN GOULART

Mediocre days are here still! Hmmm, somehow not as melodic as the old presidential anthem "Happy Days are Here Again," but then again, in the 90s mediocre doesn't seem half bad. At least it's honest, which, granted, is more than I can confidently say for our once and future King Bubba. Don't get me wrong, I'm delighted that Bill is back as our first second term democratic president since FDR. I mean, consider the viable alternative. Being a diehard Red Sox fan since birth, I'm not used to the satisfaction that comes with picking a winner. I couldn't be there to back up Bill Buckner in '86, but I could back up Bill *Clinton* in '96, and I did. Yeah, the secret is out, I voted for Clinton and his pal Al. I don't mind sharing this supposedly secret bit of information because I feel pretty good about my decision. What's the big deal about telling anyway. Am I going to be placed on some Republican blacklist? Gee, I can only hope.

I'll be the first to admit I don't know much about politics, but then again, neither do many of my journalistic colleagues, so I figure it's about time I throw in my two cents. I have a decent feeling about the next four years. It's a strange mix of the sort of relief that comes when you know things are going to stay in pretty much the same mundane state and, oddly enough, high expectations. Although I can't say I agree with everything Mr. Clinton has done (a lot of the environmental protection measures he's moved along lately appeared to be election-year-motivated and the embarrassingly unethical signing of the Defense of Marriage Act something to satiate the conservatives) I think the confidence that comes with a nation saying, "Sure, you can lead us for another four years--go on ahead and do that bridge thing," just might help Bill follow his better instincts back to the left side of the road. Two years ago even his closest friends and advisers vocalized the feeling that Clinton's presidency was going to be a one shot deal. Now the country has shown itself to be behind him again and he must take advantage of this faith and enthusiasm.

Clinton's first four years were relatively uneventful. No wars, not too many natural disasters, only a few homegrown terrorists and there was a big fat extra 50 cents in my minimum wage work study paycheck when I came back to school this year. Surely, this mild climate can't hold up forever. There is always the threat of an economic down turn, the problems he will surely face with a Republican House and Senate, and the possibility of further scandals. There are other things that could happen to change the political climate as well, which aren't quite so negative. Now is truly Bill's time to show America that he is not the wishy-washy, easily swayed, quasi-Republican that some folks think he is. Big strides are in order in the areas of education and health care and I am expecting Bill to make them. Mr. Clinton has always tended to focus his attention on America's internal problems. Well, he's had four years to get a clearer picture, it's time to roll up his sleeves and get things done.

I must admit I was tempted to go the third party route, but in the end I felt it necessary to give Bill another chance. I wasn't really bothered by scandals, spare me, anyone who doesn't have a little shadiness going on is either lying or not human. As for his inability to commit to being a Democrat, well, now that he's a little more seasoned I think he'll be a little more bold.

At any rate, I voted and I can now take part in my long anticipated right to complain. I suspect I'll be using it a lot between now and 2000, only time will tell if I made the right decision, but at least I made one.

Conspiracy theories reveal lack of trust

By MARC ANGELACCIO

When the *San Jose Mercury News* decided to publish a story focusing on CIA members' dealings with Nicaraguan drug dealers to help them bring drugs, particularly crack cocaine, into Los Angeles, it again lit the conspiracy flame under our "supposedly-secretive, often-shady" government. Read even further, the story implied that the government started the crack epidemic and that the government plotted to inundate black neighborhoods with crack in an effort to subjugate them.

The United States government, for those of you who haven't yet figured it out, is a huge bureaucratic institution with a plethora of differing departments focusing on various tasks. Controversy has never been separate from the government, especially in the face of conspiracy theory. Every type of conspiracy, from the government development of HIV as a tool for ethnic genocide to this current theory involving crack cocaine, is often draped over the American institution that harbors such ideals as liberty and democracy.

When conspiracies involving the government arise, they often lead to questions of trust, as well as questions of paranoia. We often find ourselves questioning the integrity of the institution under which we live. How far can we trust our government? How often must we look over our shoulders?

As much as we portray the U.S. government as having a hidden agenda and as many times that we, the public, often catch the government taking immoral actions (e.g., the Watergate scandal, Iran-Contra dealings, Tuskegee experiments), it is highly improbable that the government would be as totally immoral as to develop a or plant a highly contagious disease or highly addictive drug in inner city neighborhoods to eradicate or subjugate a race. I have a hard time thinking that government officials would be so amoral as to develop a biological weapon or plant an addicting drug to suppress an entire race.

It might just be me. I might just be naive.

Still, how can a government so large with so many contradicting viewpoints allow such an immoral project to take place without it being leaked? Wouldn't there be at least one person with a moral conscious large enough to speak out? Even with these ideas in mind, I'm amazed to find how many conspiracy theories exist involving the government.

What is interesting about the crack theory is that it was revealed in the mainstream. More often than not, radical conspiracy theories, such as the AIDS as genocide theory, are often revealed on non-mainstream media such as *Black Liberation Radio*. And more important, because they are relayed on so-called radical media, these theories are often ignored.

Yet, when the *Merc* printed the crack conspiracy, it couldn't be ignored; it could only be discredited. Honorable peers such as *The Washington Post* began mercilessly looking for holes in the theory, purposely placing the story into the realm of sensationalistic, 90s-like yellow journalism.

In trying so ardently to discredit the theory, however, the media overlooked the real lesson gained. Conspiracy theory is important for one reason: It exists. The mainstream may not believe the theories. I usually can't fathom most of them. But whether or not we ourselves believe them is not the point at issue. What matters is that such theories have been developed and that there are impetuses for their development. What matters is that certain people do believe them. And it is this belief that should raise questions. What does this belief say about such things as race and ethnic relations in this country? What does this say about the trust we have in our government? What does this say about the trust we have among ourselves? The answers to these questions may be more salient than the truth for which we search.

L E T T E R S

UNIT lab consultant offers assistance to students for computing needs

To the Editor:

As a lab consultant for UNIT, I found a few of the points in your "Current Computer Situation Proves Intolerable" statement in *The Villanovan* to be somewhat slanted. I work in Mendel, Tolentine and Bartley labs throughout the week, and perhaps I can offer some help to those students who are disgusted with the long lines and the difficulty of logging in to the student server.

The problem with Bartley is, as you stated, that the facility is very small. When I work Bartley on Monday nights, the place is jammed. Here's what everyone waiting in line doesn't know: You can access the programs on the Bartley and Bartley Classrooms servers from any lab on campus. Logging into these servers from other labs is an easy process, and any lab consultant should be able to assist you with this task. Why wait in line at Bartley when there are empty computers in Tolentine basement that you could be working at? I know it's a long walk, but it's worth it.

I will admit that the login procedure for the student server may be a bit intimidating to a novice computer user, but there is help. I have developed a foolproof program that helps you to log in to the student server in one easy step. I'm willing to provide my program to anyone who contacts me for a copy. I didn't make this program to say that UNIT has done a poor job at creating the login procedure, but to make it easier for those who aren't good with computers. UNIT has been providing written instructions on logging into student accounts since day one. Copies are available from the consultant's desk in the labs, as well as on the University website.

I am aware that I have not commented on some of the other points in your statement, and this is because it is not my place to do so. I hope that the Villanova community will ask the lab consultants more questions about their problems before writing nasty statements such as yours. Many problems can be solved if everyone just asked questions before forming opinions. I work the following shifts, if anyone would like to speak to me about anything in this letter: Monday 1-6 p.m. Tolentine, Tuesday 6-10 p.m. Bartley, Wednesday 1-6 p.m. Mendel, Thursday 6 pm-midnight Tolentine. My fellow lab consultants, as well as myself, are committed to helping anyone who needs assistance. Take the time to ask the consultant in you lab for help, you may find the answers to many, if not all, of your computing problems. If we can't provide an answer for you right away, we'll work to get you one as soon as possible. Lab consultants are a resource for the University community. It's time people statred using them.

John A. Biedrzycki III
Class of 1999

UNIT labels editorial irresponsible and inaccurate

To the Editor:

In response to the recent editorial in the Oct. 25 issue of the Villanovan we would like to respond to two points in what we feel is an inaccurate and generalized commentary.

The Bartley server has been one of the most reliable servers on campus. Recent updates of software and other improvements were made without any down time of the server. While there have been noted problems with the network connection to Bartley (including squirrels chewing through the lines) the recent Bartley server problem was directly linked to an individual printing out well over 150 pages multiple times. This resulted in corrupted files on the server and a dismounting (downing) of the hard drive. The Bartley server was operational within two hours.

The sighting of 16 computers having a 'major flaw' during mid-term week is also inaccurate portrayal of the situation. While several (3) computers did go down as a direct result of major hardware failures (something which is ultimately unavoidable when you have computers running 24 hours a day seven days a week) many were due to inappropriate usage of the computers themselves. Over seven computers were temporarily disabled as a direct result of virus infections. Something UNIT has worked to continuously eradicate but has continued to persist because, many times, students are not willing to spend an extra two minutes scanning their disks at the antivirus machines set up at each site. While we do maintain antivirus software on each PC in the lab there is no single way to guarantee viruses will not get past. The antivirus machines are an added level of protection for students which is repeatedly ignored. Additionally, many students continue to use faulty floppy disks in the lab PCs. Over six floppy drives needed to be repaired or replaced with the most common problem being the metal slide of the floppy disk stuck in the drive. To date this year, over 45 floppy drives in labs have been replaced with almost 90 percent directly related to bad floppy disks. At times, the hardware department has had to wait for over a week to replace these drives. This leads to even longer down times for machines.

Finally, several computer keyboards and mice were left ineffectual due to food and drink spilled or caught in the delicate mechanisms.

In light of our current position we are unable to address the other issues discussed in the Editorial. However, over the course of the semester we have worked diligently to improve the operation of the Sites. Software on the site servers (Mendel, Merlin, Zeus, Bartley) has been updated consistently and down-time for these servers continues to remain very low. We have worked closely with departments to acquire extra staffing (students) to provide extended hours in the sites. Also during Fall break 31 new machines were installed in the computer labs. Nine of these machines were put into the Mendel lab, while remaining machines are located in the Tolentine lab. Student Assistant Site Coordinators have also been hired for each site. This allows UNIT to provide a higher level of service to the sites and students. In Bartley we try to have B6 open as much as the class schedule of that room permits. In addition, we are currently working on plans to have a third lab open in Bartley when it's not used for classes.

While we understand many problems with the network and other UNIT-based services have occurred in the past we are continuously working to improve the quality of the Public Computing Sites. We also understand that many of these improvements are expected, and in some cases, long overdue. However we do not understand the recent generalization and belief that *all* computer-based problems in the Sites are directly attributed to UNIT. At any given point in time, even with the diligence of the Consultants, students can be found eating and drinking in the Sites or walking over to machines without virus checking their floppy disks. This will, inevitably, lead to more downed machines and more resources directed to repairing them.

Past and current problems have led to a "Witch Hunt" of all UNIT personnel in general. At what point do we stop generalizing and start seeing the individual pieces of the puzzle? At what point should a student who violates the rules of the Public Sites (for example by drinking a soda and spilling it into a keyboard) be held accountable for their actions?

To conclude, we request that accurate information be provided when an article is printed about UNIT or any of its departments. The demand for computing resources has increased exponentially during the past two years. We understand the need for upgrading the network infrastructure, more space for the sites, and additional outside access to computing resources. However, we feel it is inappropriate and irresponsible journalism to generalize and inaccurately report the situation as *The Villanovan* has done.

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From the 'Novan Poll

Almost every day, there are problems with the campus network. UNIT does not do a good job. 'Nova's top executives should evaluate the performance of UNIT management and make needed changes.

Zack Nowosad
Mechanical Engineering

Student denied basic voting right

To the Editor:

I am writing to discuss my discontent of a person's actions beyond my control. This past presidential election of 1996 has come and gone and left me without a voice. I registered in my home town of Bayside Queens, N.Y., and then again registered at my temporary address here at Villanova University. However, my application for registration never got processed. To someone, that application was just a simple waste of paper, but to me that was one of my inalienable rights being thrown away. There is nothing that can be done now except for me to express my dissatisfaction.

There is one thing that I have learned from this, as I suppose that there is always something to be learned from everything. I now know what it feels like to have my rights taken away, whether it be because I am a criminal, or a person living under a government where the common person has no say. This only infuriates me more. Because I know that there are people who just don't vote, because they couldn't care less. This was to be my first election, as I have just reached the legal voting age in this fine country. And the excitement that filled my heart as I approached the polls mounted within me. When I told the election board member my name, there was no response. I just figured that perhaps it was misplaced. A phone call was made on my behalf and my hope held on. "Well, I'm sorry, but you're out of luck this time, son." With no other option, I returned to my dorm in discontent, and anger.

It is a shame that in this country where only about 50 percent of the population votes, someone gets turned away, whereas in other countries such as Uruguay, Iceland, Slovenia, Chile, and Costa Rica, they receive turnouts of 95 percent, 87 percent, 85 percent, 79 percent and 79 percent, respectively. For me to stage a scene over this outrage would have gotten me nowhere, because it was not their error. However, I sit in my room anguishing over my uselessness and my unheard voice.

I have followed this election from the beginning and spent hours deliberating over whom was worthy of my vote. As a knot bore within my stomach in front of the election center, I realized that I was nothing but an empty voice, another statistic of someone who gave up his right to vote. Well, I want it to be known that I didn't give up my right, it was taken away in vain.

John Chaimanis
Class of 2000

Editor's note: The Villanovan is currently working on the story about why several Villanova students who registered on campus were turned away at the polls. Proper verification could not be reached by press time.

Handicapped 'Nova student touches many lives

To the Editor:

For the past 13 years, the Ocean City Beach Project (OCBP) has been impacting and changing college students' lives through classes, speakers and work. Needless to say, this last summer truly impacted and changed my life in many ways.

A major component of my day was my job. I was privileged enough to take care of Jim Haynal, a student at Villanova. Jim has Cerebral Palsy and seeks year-round help for his basic needs: bathing, feeding, brushing teeth, dressing, etc. He needs assistants to come to his home near to Villanova during the school year. He is an incredible man who taught me about having a tremendous joy for living.

Jim communicates through a computer that is attached to his motorized wheelchair. He has traveled the world speaking through his computer and sharing how God changed his life. All who met and talked with him were changed for the better, myself included. God also used Jim to teach me the value of patience. Taking care of someone's physical needs all day ling can be tiring, but God gave me the patience to deal with it all.

Everyone who sees me can tell that my life was touched in great ways by this project.

Shena Dickson
Russellton, Pa.

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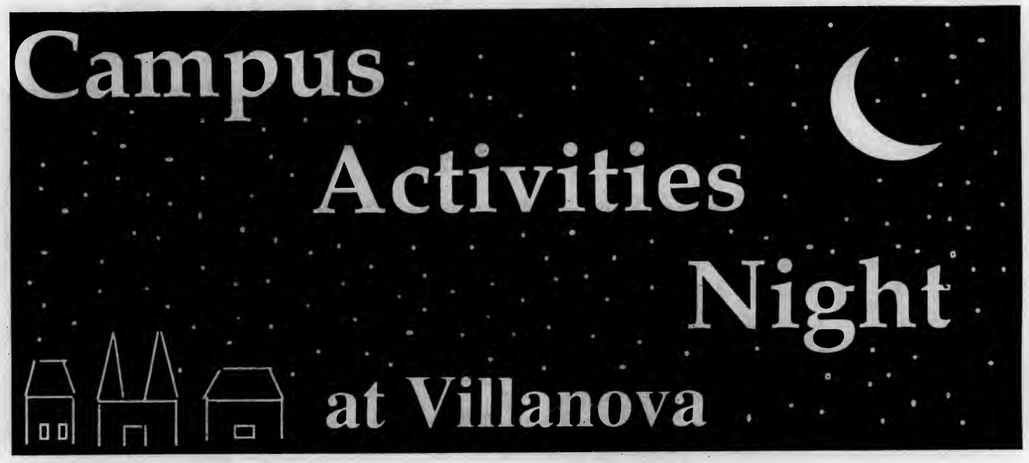

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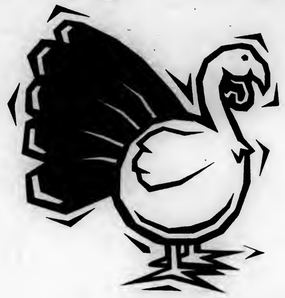

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Nov. 8

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Nov. 9

Jam in Belle Air

Come get your party on...Saturday, Nov. 9 in the Belle Air Terrace of Connelly Center. Jam to the sounds of hip-hop, house, and reggae from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m.!! Sponsored by the Student Government Association and the International Committee Against Racism. Cost is $3 with 'Nova ID, $3 without 'Nova ID before 11 p.m. and $5 without 'Nova ID after 11 p.m.

Nov. 11

Exam Prep

Improve your test performance! Dr. Reilly will offer an Exam Prep and Test-Taking Workshop this Monday, Nov. 11 from 2:30 - 3:20 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106, Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign-up is necessary.

Nov. 12

Charity Bingo

For Mom's House in Phoenixville. Come and help Villanovan's For Life raise money for young mothers and their children. Games will be held in the Haverford Room on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 8 p.m. Prizes for the winners! Food and refreshment for all! For more information call x94486.

Nov. 13

Senior Volunteer Fair

On Wednesday, Nov. 13 from 7 - 9 p.m., there will be a Volunteer Fair in the East Lounge of Dougherty Hall. There will be 35 service agencies from the U.S. and around the world with which to meet and ask questions. Come learn about opportunities that will remain with you for a lifetime! For more information, please see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry Office.

Nursing Lecture

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Life After Graduation" by Bonnie Jackson, M.Ed from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

Nov. 14

Law Symposium

The Health Law Society and Corporate Law Society of Villanova University School of Law invite you to attend their Fall Symposium: "Is Bigger Better? Modern Trends in Managed Care" on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 101 of Garey Hall. A reception will follow. For more information please contact the Health Law Society at (610) 519-6000, voice mailbox #86083 or nrao@law.vill.edu

ACM

The Villanova Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery will hold its next general meeting on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. in Mendel 258. The featured speaker will be Adreinne Kerbel from Software Design Concepts. She will be speaking about the consulting industry, focusing on different types, advantages and interviewing experiences.

Nov. 16

Help for HEC Retreat

Help is needed for the Campus Ministry sponsored HEC Retreat coming up the weekend of Nov. 16-18. Students, as well as other members of the Villanova community are welcome to participate on the retreat. For further information drop by Campus Ministry, or call at 519-4080.

Professional Hypnotist

Here's a great upcoming event for everyone...professional hypnotist, Ronnie Romm, will be appearing on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Day Hop. The event is being sponsored by CAT, and admission is just $2! Be there!

Nov. 17

Attention Nurses and Lifeguards

Villanova Emergency Medical Service (VEMS) will sponsor a Healthcare Provider CPR course on Sunday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. This course will meet all of your requirements for schol or work. The course will cost $25 (payable on date of course)).

The course will llast approximately five hours. To register, stop by St. Clare House (Public Safety) Monday - Friday 8 - 4 p.m. The course will be limited to 25 participants.

Nov. 19

Gay/Lesbian Dialogue

A gay, lesbian and bisexual support group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. on the Villanova campus. For more information, call Fr. Shawn Tracy at 519-4081. All calls will be held in confidence.

Inner City Teaching

Inner City Teaching Corps will be holding an informational meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Bryn Mawr Room of Connelly Center. Come meet Greg Mooney, VU'93 who will represent ICTC, a two year volunteer service program of oustanding college graduates who energize inner-city parochial schools in Chicago as classroom teachers and leaders in extracurricular activites. Teaching experience or an education degree are not required.

Poster Contest

To help rid our campus of the excessive scattering of cigarette butts, Villanova University's Department of Health and Safety is sponsoring a poster contest. Each poster entered should depict the Villanova Wildcat using cigarette butts from University grounds. Entries are to be submitted to Stone Hall on or before Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. The winner will be announced on Nov. 21, the day of the Great American Smokeout, and will be awarded with a $50 gift certificate for the bookstore.

Nov. 20

Women's Studies Lecture

The Women's Studies will present: "Women in U.S. Prisons: Profiles and Issues" by Sr. Susan VanBaalen, O.P., Chief Chaplain for U.S. Prisons on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in Bartley 110.

Nursing Lecture

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Financial Planning and Budgeting for Graduate Students" by Christina hack, CPA and Susan Collins, CPA from Coopers and Lybrand on Nov. 20 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

Nov. 21

Bereavement Group

A bereavement group will begin meeting on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 4:30 p.m. in St. Rita's Hall Room 114 for students who have experienced the deat of a parent of sibling in the last year to year and a half.

Nursing Lecture

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Strategies for Promoting Self-Confidence" by Dr. Linda Copel on Nov. 21 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

Nov. 23

ECE Day

The ECE Advisory Committee cordially invites you to the 10th annual Electrical and Computer Engineering Day on Saturday, Nov. 23. Registration starts at 9 a.m. and the main program begins at 9:30 a.m. with a break for lunch at 12:5 p.m.

This event focuses on technologies in our industry and on the contributions of Villanova University Electrical Engineering alumni to those technologies. Additionally, this event focuses on reuniting alumni and introducing future graduates to a variety of topics in industry. If you plan to attend or would like additional information, please call Helen Cook at (610) 519-4970.

MISC.

Work in Germany

Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as English Assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions by contacting Dr. Rodger Van Allen of the theology and religious studies department at 519-4766. Some knowledge of German is required of the assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with the students.

The assistant must be creative in conducting discussion groups, organizing sports and games, conversing about life in the U.S. and assisting the students individually with homework. Applications must be completed by Dec. 15. Three graduates of Villanova are currently serving as English Assistants in the boarding schools which are conducted by the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart in the southwestern region of the country. For more info. Call 519-4766.,,

SNAP Flip Top Drive

The Student Nurses Association of PA at Villanova (SNAP) requests help from the entire Villanova community. Aluminum flip top soda pop tabs have significant value in the recycling industry and can provide some income for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. Save ALUMINUM FLIP TOP TABS to help the children at the Ronald McDonald House. Please call SNAP at 519-7317 and a SNAP member will pick them up. The drive will be until Monday, Nov. 25. Thank you.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on a team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

HEC Retreat

Students, faculty, staff and neighbors are welcomed and needed to work on the upcoming HEC retreat (Handicapped Encounter Christ) sponsored by Campus Ministry. HEC is an unique and exciting experience which brings together physically disabled and non-disabled persons to share each others' lives in an atmosphere of Christian community.

The retreat will take place on the weekend of Nov. 16 - 18 ending around 2 p.m. on Sunday. For further information, drop by Campus Ministry during the day or call 519-4080.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas.

There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form.

The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Attention Musicians

The Lower Merion Symphony invites Villanova's musicians to attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. They take place in the McShain Auditorium on Rosemont College. For information, call Elliot Levioff at (215) 473-9013.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 9600, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend For more information call exi. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries such as India, Africa, South and Central America. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. *Thank you.*

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. These cards are essential to assure that names appear in Commencement Program and on diplomas exactly according to students' wishes. Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

Master Schedule WWW Info

The Spring 1997 Master Schedule is available on the World Wide Web, under the home page of the Office of the Registrar, at the following address: http://www.vill.edu/webview/schedule.html

Exam Schedule WWW Info.

The Fall 1996 Undergraduate Final Exam Schedule is posted on bulletin boards across campus including outside of Tolentine 202, Office of the Registrar. It is also available on the World Wide Web, under the home page of the Office of the Registrar: http://www.vill.edu:80/admin/registra/homepage.html

F E A T U R E S

Special Olympics committee anticipates the big event

By KATIE KLINE
Staff Reporter

Months of planning and preparation are coming to a close as the weekend of the eighth annual Pennsylvania Special Olympics Fall Festival approaches.

Over 800 athletes and 225 coaches from across Pennsylvania will arrive at Villanova Nov. 8 through Nov. 10 to participate in this year's multi-sport, state-level competition.

"We are the only student run festival in the world," said media & publicity chairperson, Melissa Salso. A volunteer committee made up of 27 Villanova students will oversee 2,000 volunteers from the Villanova student body, community and local corporations.

Senior Jennifer Gamper has taken on a full-time job as this year's Fall Festival director. Her job entails supervising everyone and everything that goes into hosting this event. She oversees a panel that is made up of five management team leaders who head the following committees: support services, administration, competition, human resources and special events.

"I never realized how much goes into even the littlest things that make up the weekend," said Salso. "It's really neat though because we have a good networking system. All of the committees work together to help each other out. It's all connected even though everyone has their own job to do and in the end it makes the whole process complete. Everyone has their heart in it and the morale is really great with this committee."

This year's event will follow the same format as previous years with the addition of popular entertainment groups, preferred personalities and guest speakers.

The opening ceremonies will kick off the weekend on Friday night in the DuPont Pavilion with Y100 morning radio personality, Sherri Lee Stevens as master of ceremonies. There will also be special performances by the Villanova Dance Ensemble and country music singer, Maria Rose.

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Special Olymics Fall Festival staff awaits this weekend's events.

Milt Campbell, 1956 Olympic gold medalist, will serve as honorary chairman and deliver the keynote address at the opening ceremonies.

Athletes will be competing in one of five sport events; long-distance, running, powerlifting, rollerskating, soccer or volleyball.

In addition to the competition, athletes can look forward to Olympic Town that will take place in the quad. Olympic Town will consist of numerous student-run booths that will include face-painting, sand-dollar art, a ring toss, tattoo booth, cotton candy, appearances by the Wildcat, Al E. Gator, clowns and much more.

Don Tollefson of "Good Day Philadelphia" will initiate the closing ceremonies on Sunday afternoon, followed by entertainment by the Villanova Pom Squad and the Villanova Spires.

Last minute preparations and lots of anticipation has been felt by the Special Olympic committee chairpersons and volunteers as the final week before the event has approached.

"A lot of times you get caught up in everything that's going on and what you have to get done as a committee, that you lose sight of why you're working on the committee and what you're working towards," said Salso. "Jen Gamper has done a great job to keep us motivated and to keep in perspective what this weekend is all about."

University receives prestigious service award

By JOE GULINO
Assistant Features Editor

Opportunities for service are everywhere at Villanova. Anyone who comes in contact with a single aspect of the University can sense its commitment toward service. Most of the time there is no recognition for those who perform volunteer work. Fortunately, this year, the University will be acknowledged for its wonderful programs, leadership, and involvement in service by students, staff, faculty and alumni by becoming the recipient of a national service award.

The Father George Mader Award is being given to both Villanova University and the University of Notre Dame this year. It is given "in recognition of the outstanding leadership role these universities have played in promoting the value of lay mission service," said James G. Lindsay.

Lindsay is the executive director of the Catholic Network of Volunteer Service, based in Washington, D.C. The network gives the annual award. Its previous recipients include various individuals and institutions. The University was notified by Lindsay and the network in a letter to President Edmund J. Dobbin early this summer.

The University is being honored for its wide range of service and volunteer programs from home building through Habitat for Humanity to visiting children in the inner city. A number of university offices coordinate the volunteer opportunities. Campus Ministry, Project Sunshine, the Human Organization Science Institute, the Center for Peace and Justice Education and the Office of Student Development all lead service groups.

The Associate Director for Campus Ministry, Barbara Haenn, described post-graduate volunteer service as a major component of the award. Post-graduate volunteeerism is evident in organizations like Habitat for Humanity and the Jesuit Volunteer Corps.

Accepting the award for the University will be Father Dobbin and 1995 alumna Kathleen DiBello. DiBello works for the Jesuit Volunteer Corps-Northwest in Grays Harbor, WA. She is a client co-ordinator for the Harbor Church's Timber Outreach social services group.

The award will be presented at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 12 during the fall meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. 65 people will travel to Washington for this ceremony, as well as 20 alumni.

Haenn commented two undergraduate institutions are receiving the award this year. The award recognizes "the great significance of undergraduate volunteer service."

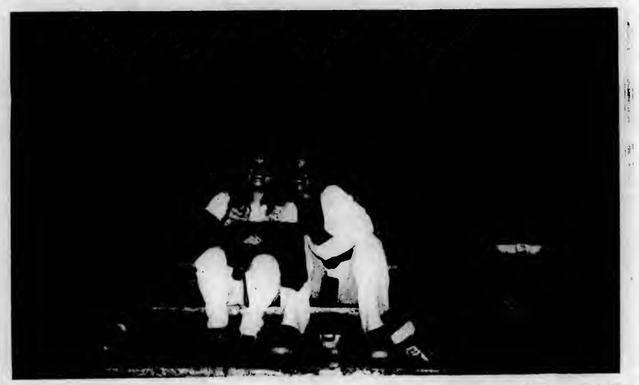

PHOTO BY ANN GAVAGHAN

Dr. Bender and students pause to enjoy the view of the Trevi Fountain.

Student reflects about fall break trip

By ANN GAVAGHAN
Staff Reporter

Most people would think Roman history is gone, but seven Villanova students can tell you that the glory of the eternal city still exists. Over fall break, these students traveled to Rome to see firsthand the monuments that the ancient Romans erected.

The trip was organized by Dr. Henry Bender, a professor in the classical studies department who teaches not only at Villanova, but at many other area institutions, including his full-time job at St. Joseph's Preparatory School.

This trip was the 68th he has made to Italy, though it was his first time traveling there in October. He was accompanied by students from the honors department.

Most are enrolled in his course on the Augustan Age, which explores how the Emperor Augustus transformed Roman architecture from buildings to ideas and propaganda. But the trip, like the course, attracted more than just classical studies majors.

Three days were spent in Rome, where they visited not only sites pertaining to their course work, such as the Mausoleum of Augustus, the Roman Forum and the Casa Livia, but also St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museum, the Colosseum and many other traditional tourist stops. From there, the group traveled south to Pompeii, Sorrento and the isle of Capri in the Bay of Naples. However, this trip was not a typical Perillo-style tour.

Bender's familiarity with Rome means his tour groups are exposed to sites normal visitors will not see. Most people assume that Julius Caesar was stabbed on the steps of the Curia, which is the Roman Senate Building. Unless they have studied classical history they may not realize that a fire had destroyed the Curia and the Senators were meeting temporarily in the Theater of Pompey—the ruins of which are now covered by an apartment complex, hotel and shops.

With Bender's experience and connections, his group was able to view the room where Caesar was murdered, which just happens to be an underground banquet room of a restaurant. Cheryl Zucchine, a sophomore biology major, commented, "If I had gone by myself, I would have had no clue what I was looking at. Having Dr. Bender there showed us the story and the meaning behind things. It wasn't just a pile of rocks."

In fact, at a few points during the trip, the group would suddenly find that its numbers had swelled because other English-speaking tourists were so enthralled by the lectures of Bender, they tagged along.

Though the students have had time to once again adjust to the United States, most wish they were back in Rome. As Kristen Kenney, a junior philosophy major commented, "trips like this should be mandatory."

Indeed, all students would probably enjoy the addition of a trip like this with its good food, spectacular monuments and friendship to the core curriculum. In the meantime, though, Bender's students are awaiting the time until spring break, when he turns his classicist's eye towards Sicily.

Attention all interns: There are only three issues of *The Villanovan* until the semester is over. Make sure you have fulfilled the required five articles before it is too late.

F E A T U R E S

Greek Briefs

Chi Omega would like to remind all sisters that elections for new office are this weekend. Let's thank Sharee Pignatelli for putting together our second annual Halloween cocktail. Chi O wold also like to thank Joanna Baker and all those sisters who helped her last Wednesday at the Halloween table. The sisters of Chi Omega would like to send out a warm welcome to our newest sister Kara Hertzog. We would also like to send out a belated thank you to all those who helped raise money for Special Olympics through Chi Olympics. We raised a total of $1,500 for Special Olympics, with special thanks to Sig Ep and SGA for donating back their prize money! Finally, congratulations to the Chi O volleyball team for beating Top Guns last Monday and thanks to all of the models from Sunday's fashion show.

Hey all Pi Phis and dates, thanks for making Thursday night's Pumpkin Bash ghoulishly great. Special congratulations to Jen Tierney and her date (as Olive Oil and Popeye) for snagging top prize for the best dressed couple. Pi Phis, be sure to stop by Saturday at out cookie decorating table in the quad during Special Olympic's Olympic Town.

The members of Alpha Delta Pi would like to thank all of the organizations who participated in Fright Fest for a great event! We would like to especially thank SAE, Keith, Chris, Amy, Kelley, Dennis and Angel for all the hard work and preparation. Congratulations to the ADPi intramural football team for another victory. Good luck this weekend in the playoffs.

Delta Gamma wants to congratulate all of their sisters on their good deeds during fall break: Nicole Bognanno and Anne Marie Ciarciaglino had quite an experience in Oregon. Denise Neff and Heather White had an incredible time in North Carolina. Finally, Amy Fisher, Megan Joyce and Eileen Hayward hammered away in New Orleans. All of our girls spent the week on Habitat for Humanity trips building houses for those in need. Congratulations to Krysti McNichols on being the lead singer of the Gospel Ensemble. A big hand to Angela Yatco for her placement for an internship with Stockton-Bates and Co. A big thanks and congratulations to the Phi-Esta Bowl champions, Jen Beaty, Ali Morano, Nicole Vandervoort, Aldona Vaitekunas, Trish Kramer and Karen Hillen.

Alpha Phi's get ready for an exciting weekend with the Special Olympics! Come out to opening ceremonies Friday night to cheer on all of the Olympians and the sisters involved in the program. Don't forget to buy your tickets to see our Phi's in the play, *Pippin*, which starts this weekend. Please see Rae if you are interested in applying for Teach for America, and see Carita if you are interested in Operation Smile. Thanks to Jenny Sheils for organizing the Panhellenic and IFC annual Halloween party.

Sigma Nu would like to congratulate brother Mark "Baby Huey" Hlushewsky for sharing first place in the Taco Bell Eat-Off this past Sunday. For winning this event, $1,000 was donated to the Pennsylvania Special Olympics in his name.

KKG would like to offer a war, welcome to Kim Johnson, our traveling consultant! Kappa would also like to wish the best of luck to all of the Special Olympics athletes who will be competing in the 1996 Fall Festival this weekend! Come visit us at our cotton candy booth with the Tri-Delts on Saturday in Olympic Town!

A fun time was had by all at Tri-Delts Halloween themed Boathouse last week. Special thanks to Cara Fanning and Linda DeVito for planning the formal. Renee Hogan's Halloween Haunted Hayride was a scary treat. Congrats to the DDD Intramural Football team - great season! Loads of Tri-Delt alumni came back for Homecoming last weekend. It was wonderful sharing the weekend with them. A huge congratulations to the football team for their win over URI. Lastly, a wish of good luck goes out to all those atheletes participating in Special Olmpics this weekend. Tri-Delt strongly urges everyone to get involved - it's not too late!

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Boo-Boo Kitty and the Gooch, The top ten things Bob Dole can do in his new found free time:

10. Get busy changing signs from "Dole in '96" to "Dole is 96" for fast approaching birthday party
9. Listen to his collection of NIN albums
8. Finish getting that tattoo of Claudia Schiffer on his inner thigh
7. Team up with George Bush for *Grumpy Old Men III*
6. Yodel
5. Attend AARP shuffleboard tournaments with Ross Perot
4. The Macarena
3. Put on a diaper and chase the cabana boy around the pool
2. Update resume to include "familiar with various forms of butt whoopin'"

and the No. 1 thing Bob Dole can do in his new found free time . . .

1. Weep

Breast cancer awareness gains additional importance for women

By KAREN CAPPOLI
Staff Reporter

This past October was breast cancer awareness month. Breast cancer is one of the leading killers among women. Each year, more than 180,000 women will learn they have breast cancer and more than 46,000 of these women will die. One in every nine women will get it and every woman is at risk.

Cancer occurs when cells become abnormal and divide out of control. Every organ in your body is made up of various cells. These cells normally divide in an orderly process to produce more cells when needed. This process helps your body stay healthy. However, if your cells divide when new cells are not needed, they form a mass or lump of extra tissue called a tumor that can be either benign or malignant.

Benign tumors are not cancerous and are not a threat to your life. The most important thing to understand is that the cells in a benign tumor do not invade other tissues or spread to other parts of your body. Usually benign tumors can be removed and in most cases will not return.

On the other hand, malignant tumors are cancerous. The cancer cell grows and divides out of control. These cells can invade and damage nearby tissues and organs in your body. The cancer cells can also break away from the malignant tumor and affect your bloodstream. This is how breast cancer spreads and forms secondary tumors in other parts of your body.

Each breast has six to nine overlapping sections called lobes. Within each lobe are numerous, smaller lobules. These lobules end in dozens of tiny bulbs that can produce milk. The lobes, lobules and bulbs are all linked by thin tubes called ducts. Fat fills the empty spaces around the lobules and ducts. The most common type of breast cancer begins in the lining of these ducts, called ductal carcinoma.

Each breast also contains blood vessels and vessels that transport a colorless fluid called lymph. These lymph vessels lead to smaller structures called lymph nodes. Clusters of lymph nodes are found under your arms, above your collarbone and in your chest. When breast cancer spreads outside of the breast, cancer cells often are found in the lymph nodes under your arm.

If the cancer has reached these nodes, it may be that cancer cells have spread to other parts of the body such as your bones, liver or lungs.

Women can play an active role in the early detection of breast cancer. In fact, most breast cancer cases are first discovered by women themselves. The best protection against breast cancer is early detection. Breast cancer cases that are found early and treated immediately give a woman her best chance for survival.

The American Cancer Society recommends a three-step program as guidelines to find breast cancer at the earliest stages. First, see your doctor regularly for breast examinations. If you are between the ages of 20 and 40 you should make appointments at least every three years. A woman over 40, should be examined by her doctor every year.

Second, you should begin to have regular mammographies by age 40, one every year or two until age 50 when you then should have one every year.

A mammogram is a special kind of x-ray for the breast using very low levels of radiation. It can detect cancer cells too small be felt by your hands. The third step is to practice monthly self-exams. A breast self-exam could save your life.

Having a high breast cancer risk factor means having a higher-than-average chance of getting this disease. As you get older, your risk does increase. Risk is somewhat higher in women whose close female relatives have had the disease.

Also, women who chose never to have children or had their first child over 30 scem to be in a higher risk category for breast cancer.

There is research in progress exploring other possible risk factors. For example, some studies point to an increased risk of breast cancer among women who drink alcohol, consequently women who drink should do so in moderation. Scientists are still trying to learn if having an abortion or miscarriage increase risks, but so far conflicting evidence has been produced leaving the question very much unresolved.

Treatment depends on the size and location of the tumor in the breast. If breast cancer is found, early treatments include a lumpectomy, limited surgery which removes the cancer but not the entire breast, followed by radiation therapy. However, if the cancer has reached an advanced stage, a mastectomy, the surgical removal of the breast, may be necessary followed by optional breast reconstruction. Additional treatments would be chemotherapy or hormone therapy.

Again, earliest detection gives women their best chance for survival. The five-year survival rate for breast cancer is 92 percent if the cancer cells have not spread, 71 percent if it has spread to nearby organs and 18 percent if it has spread throughout the body.

However, these statistics are based on large numbers of patients and should not be used to predict what will happen to a particular woman because no two cancer patients are alike. Early detection and improved treatments have kept the death rates from breast cancer stable. Only about one in 30 American women will die from this cancer. Breast cancer does affect more than 1,000 men each year.

The Cancer Information Service, a program of the National Cancer Institute and The American Cancer Society, a voluntary organization that supports research, organizes educational programs and offers many services to patients and their families. To obtain free booklets on breast self-examination, breast cancer and sexuality call the Society's toll-free number, 1-800-ACS-2345.

In addition, the Villanova infirmary and public library are both excellent sources of additional information.

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Villanova's ROTC Wildcat Battalion before heading to Fort Dix.

Army ROTC faces challenges at Fort Dix

By CHRISTINE McNEFF
Staff Reporter

On Sept. 27, as the crisp autumn air swept through campus and many frolicked merrily on their way to happy hour, 34 cadets from Villanova's Army ROTC Wildcat Battalion loaded their tightly packed ruck sacks onto a bus bound for Fort Dix, N.J.

Ready for adventure, these cadets, ranging from freshmen to seniors, would face many exciting challenges over the next two and a half days. Formally called a Field Training Exercise (FTX), the annual event is intended to build the confidence of underclassmen while evaluating the leadership ability of upperclassmen.

The weekend schedule included firing an M16 rifle, accomplishing given tasks on the Field Leadership Reaction Course (FLRC), rappelling, navigating an obstacle course and orienteering. Cadet Seewan Szeto commented on her first FTX, saying "It was an intense weekend, but it was also a lot of fun. I especially liked the FLRC." Cadet Jessica Moser, on the other hand, felt that the rappel tower was the highlight of her first FTX.

After pushing themselves to the limit, the Wildcat Battalion returned to the Main Line on Sunday afternoon wearied from training, but strengthened and confident by their accomplishments.

F E A T U R E S

'Nova counseling center offers comfort away from home

By TIFFANY BREGOVI
Staff Reporter

Leaving home for college could be one of the scariest, most emotional experiences of life. Leaving everything familiar to go to a new place with new people and strange surroundings is not easy.

Being bombarded with so many "new" things can become fairly difficult to manage. For some students, it can get beyond their control. It is for this reason that Villanova has an on-campus counseling center.

The center is staffed with experienced psychologists ready to assist a student with every possible problem. There are three kinds of assistance available: personal counseling, study skills and consultation.

Personal counseling is a one-on-one, confidential meeting with a doctor on staff. These can deal with "personal, psychological, emotional, social kind of issues that go on with people who are on campus," said Dr. Joan Greenhouse-Whitney, director of the center.

Relationships are a major issue with students, whether they are friends, family or romantic involvements. The center also addresses many problems with self-defeating habits such as substance abuse, eating disorders, abusive relationships and other traumas that involve violence or sexual assault.

"Primarily what we do is consult with students about their own emotional ups and downs that go along with being in the college years," Greenhouse-Whitney said. The center helps with managing anxiety, loneliness, depression, concerns about career choices or conflicts with families or roommates. The doctors help students work through the problems and develop strategies to solve them.

Psychologists at the center include Greenhouse-Whitney, Assistant Director Dr. Norman Pitt, Dr. Leslie Parks, Dr. Helene Walker and Dr. Jewel Slesnick, a part-time member of the staff.

Personal counseling is absolutely voluntary and totally confidential. "That's a real keystone of what makes counseling work, is the trust that this is a safe place," said Greenhouse-Whitney. All services are free, and no information may be released to parents without the students' consent.

Students who have a preference may request a male or female counselor. Greenhouse-Whitney stated that, "Some people are just more comfortable talking with one gender than another."

The other major concentration of the counseling center is study skills. Specialist Dr. Ed Reilly is a full-time study skills counselor at the center. He helps students one-on-one and also runs educational workshops to assist students in improving their study skills, specifically test taking, note taking, time management and related concerns.

Often the two major areas of consultation, personal counseling and study skills, are tied together. According to Greenhouse-Whitney, "Sometimes the real reason you're not doing well with your studies is because you're so distracted because you're very upset about something in your personal life."

The third area of services is consultation. Both parents and faculty approach the center with concerns about their children or students. Parents call with questions of how they can be of help to their son or daughter with the problems of college life or other concerns they have for their child. Faculty often call with questions of assisting a troubled student or how to be supportive of the troubled student.

Members of clubs and organizations also call the center requesting assistance with how to deal with internal conflicts in the group or how to approach a fellow member with a concern.

The counseling center provides a referral service to students, recommending good resources off campus. This is helpful when the center cannot provide a student with the extensive counseling that may be needed, or if a student wants more privacy than possible on a university campus.

The center mainly operates internally, but it also provides educational programs for clubs or, if a faculty member requests, for a class.

The center is also involved in the training of the resident assistants, or RA's, in the residence halls. For instance, the RA's are taught how to recognize and approach psychological problems among their residents.

Occasionally a program is offered inside the center and is advertised on campus. But more often, as Greenhouse-Whitney said, "They're more successful if a constituency on campus comes to us and asks us to be a guest speaker."

A consulting psychiatrist is also on staff, Dr. Susan Poritsky, for medical consultation. If necessary, and only at the recommendation of one of the psychologists, an appointment would be arranged with Poritsky, who would assess the student for psychiatric type medication.

The presence of the counseling center should provide a comfort to the University community. Smoothly operated and ever servicable, the assistance it offers is invaluable to the University.

FILE PHOTO

Cannuli's show opens Nov. 16 at the University Art Gallery

Renowned artist displays watercolors at campus art gallery

Special to The Villanovan

Watercolors of European scenes that won him honor in China and others painted in and of China comprise a solo exhibit of works by Brother Richard G. Cannuli, O.S.A. at the University Art Gallery.

Entitled "To China with Love: From China with Love," the show opens with an artist's reception on Nov. 16, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the gallery in the Connelly Center. The exhibit will continue until Dec. 19.

The exhibit encompasses more than 60 on-site watercolors of city and village settings and landscapes by Cannuli during 1995 journeys across Europe and to China.

The works are for sale, with all proceeds going to the non-profit Augustinian community." "I wanted to capture whatever I could while I was traveling," Cannuli said of his European and China odysseys. "The paintings, especially the use of color, reflect impressions of settings, as I see them. Everything in the Villanova show was painted on the spot.

"I am a colorist. My paintings are not literal reflections of scenes. They are my perceptions of what I see, my concepts of what is before me. My art springs from my personal odyssey for truth. Wherever I see my truth of a scene in a hint of a color, I'll intensify that color."

Cannuli's European works were included last Autumn in a one-person show at East China Normal University (ECNU) in Shanghai, where he was accorded the very rare distinction of being named advisory professor by the ministry of education of the People's Republic of China, with an open invitation to return to the University to teach.

A media event, Cannuli's China show received extensive coverage on television and in the print press. He was celebrated as "a very special guest" at more than seven formal banquets. Cannuli's China works include scenes of Shanghai and Beijing, nearby villages and surrounding countryside, including mountain settings in the West Lake region of Hangzhou province, fabled for its brooks and pathways in the clouds, gnarled trees, peaks and mists.

In addition to his China sojourn, Cannuli is also the first American artist in recent history to exhibit his work in Minsk, Byelorussia and Riga, Latvia. His one-person 1992 show in Minsk was held at the request of Nadezhda, an organization under the sponsorship of of the Red Cross of Byelorussia.

His works are held in private collections in Italy, South America, Japan, China and the United States. A Philadelphian, Cannuli has been a member of the Order of St. Augustine for more than 25 years.

He has served as chair of the art and art history department at Villanova since 1988 and has been director of the University's art gallery and curator of Villanova's art collection since 1979. He also teaches watercolor for Villanova and for the Villanova/Rosemont College Summer Program in Siena, Italy.

Gospel Ensemble brings the Apollo to the Main Line with talent showcase

By NICKY VALLEE
Staff Reporter

The Villanova Gospel Ensemble will hold auditions Nov. 8 at 6 p.m. in St. Mary's Chapel for the organization's upcoming talent showcase. The actual show will be held on Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium at St. Mary's Hall. All students are encouraged to participate in tonight's auditions.

"The purpose of the talent show is to raise money for a planned spring trip to Connecticut," said Caroline Ayeni, president of the Ensemble. "We've never traveled as a group before, and we hope to sing in two churches while we're there."

Ayeni said that the showcase is the first of its kind at Villanova, and that it was "a collective effort on the part of our organization to put together a show like this and have it be successful."

The format of the evening is modeled after shows at the Apollo Theater in Los Angeles, where the audience chooses the winner of the contest. For the audition itself, the board members of the Ensemble will preside as judges. All types of talent are encouraged, such as singing, dancing and "any other form of talent that a student thinks will bring variety to the show."

The organization plans to open the contest to Main Line residents and to those living in the surrounding communities, with the hopes of gaining more exposure for the group throughout the area and also to help promote better relations with local residents. "We want the community to have the chance to visit the campus and see some of the things that we're doing here at Villanova," Ayeni said. "We want them to see the positive side of Villanova students—we're not as bad as they perceive us to be."

Two acts that may possibly perform for the Showcase are the new Hip-Hop Drill Team and the sorority Delta Sigma Theta, whose routine would feature a step show. The ticket price is $3. For more information, contact music activities at x97214.

Short story magazine continues a legacy

By JIM DELANEY
Staff Reporter

For all those times you've complained about a movie or daydreamed in class because the reading was dull, The *Vignette* can make it interesting. The University's short story magazine gives students a chance to write it their own way.

Once every semester, *The Vignette* publishes short stories submitted by students. This semester they will be doubling the number of stories published from six to 12. "I want to give more people a chance to get their works published," said Mike Lugenbuehl, president of *The Vignette*.

"There are people who have written short stories years earlier," Lugenbuehl went on to say, "[and] up until now they have not had an outlet for it. Although they have chosen different careers, a lot of people, no matter what major, still choose to write short stories."

As to the benefits of contributing to the magazine, Lugenbuehl said, "It's plain to see how writing, re-writing, and proof reading is helpful in future careers of all students." Lugenbuehl continued, "The purpose of writing is to evoke emotions, and how well that is done is a good critique of how well the story is written," adding that the goal of short story writing is "to show not tell."

After the passing of its advisor and founder, Professor Thomas Martinez, the future of the magazine was once uncertain. "When I found that *The Vignette* had come to a standstill [this semester], I thought it would be a mistake if we did not continue what Martinez had begun," Lugenbuehl emphasized.

The reviewing committee chooses works based on how well the story is written and refrains from value judgements about the content. Stories can also be of any length. Quality stories of three pages are often selected. The stories not accepted are returned with comments and suggestions to be resubmitted later.

The final decision on which stories go in has not been made yet and additional submissions are strongly encouraged.

The deadline is Nov. 15. Short stories should be dropped off at *The Vignette* mailbox in Dougherty Hall, room 108. Additional information can be provided by contacting Mike Lugenbuehl at (96000) extension 76932.

The Vignette will soon have a website with access not only to the current issue, but also to old editions, from which past short stories can be downloaded.

In the meantime, look for the fall issue of *The Vignette* in the doorways of the library and St. Augustine Center during the last week of classes.

New Japanese internship emerges

Special to The Villanovan

The arrival of a Japanese student, Fumiko Yuki, at Villanova four years ago has led to the establishment of an exciting internship program for Villanova students.

Yuki's father, Tetsuhiko Yuki, is the vice president and chief operating officer of the Inter-Continental Hotel Japan Corporation.

Now, in gratitude for his daughter's good experience at Villanova, Yuki has arranged an internship program between Villanova University and his corporation.

This program will give an opportunity to Villanova students who are interested in Japan to learn not only about Japanese culture, society, people and language, but also about Japanese business practices.

In September 1996, Yuki came to campus and met with various administrative and faculty members in hopes that this internship opportunity will help to enrich the lives of the students who take advantage of it, enabling them to become "cultural bridges" between the two countries in the future.

Further information on the internship program can be obtained from Dr. Peggy Charldly, director of international internship programs, the College of Commerce and Finance.

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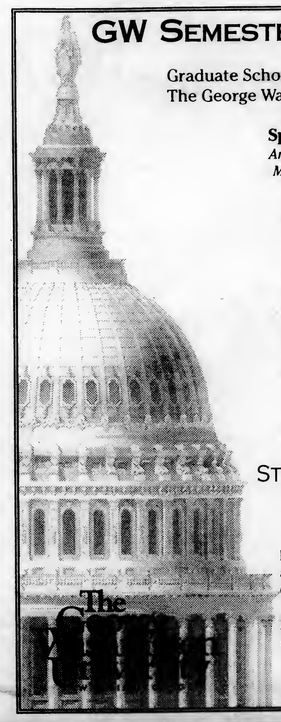

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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Henry Rollins speaks his mind to students

By DAVID VERICA
Assistant Entertainment Editor

On Oct. 29, through the graciousness of the Campus Activities Team, a refreshing and invigorating guest visited our fine campus. I am speaking, of course, about none other than Henry Rollins.

Although he was on a tight schedule, constrained even further by the tech crew, he was kind enough to grant an interview. So, Ann Gavaghan, Melissa Sodolski and I formed the tag team of Villanova media representatives to confidently accomplish the task at hand.

We covered a lot of ground, from the old school days in Black Flag, to the future prospects for the Rollins Band. What is being presented here is the somewhat censored version of the group interview conducted just prior to Tuesday night's "performance."

How do you respond to accusations that you are a "sell-out"?

Define it. I work about 40-70 hours a week at what I do. I know for a fact that I put in as many hours and as much a percent of myself into what I do as you do. I've never compromised a single lyric, or a single word in any of my books, nor have I compromised in a live performance. To me, selling out is when you compromise your values or your morality, or your code of ethics, and for myself, I do exactly what I want. I feel accusations of selling out are immature and boring to anyone who really gets up in the real world and gets things done.

Do you feel that coming from the do-it-yourself ethic of the punk rock world has been beneficial to you?

I have two record companies, a book company, and a video company. I own five corporations. Who gave me the money for those? Me. I DID-it every f_ day. I happen to work more than most people who talk about working hard, long and being committed. That ethic, that criticism, that culture can't hold me. I'm a bull. I get it done.

Being on the road and working so much, how do you find time for a social life?

I don't. I am pretty much a loner. If I was home tonight, I would have gone to the gym, gone home, listened, read, wrote and gone to sleep. On the weekends, I go to Tower Records or go buy books. I don't have to much time for women or relationships, I'm too busy. If someone says, let's go to a bar I say, 'Oh really, I thought you were cool. Bye.'

Do you see any chance of a Black Flag reunion ?

I'd like to see you get the members of Black Flag in the same room. No really, I'd love to play. I'd do it for charity, if we could give the money away.

What is going on with the Rollins Band, when can we expect the new record?

March 5 or 12. We've been working in New York, I just finished a vocal before I came here today. We've tracked about 22 songs, 18 or 16 will probably come out. It's very hard hitting, very strange. I like the stuff so far, it's my favorite batch of music we've ever done. When I hear our stuff I go 'Yeah let's go out and like kill someone.'

What happened to Imago?

They went out of business. They lost their distribution deal with BMG. We're now workingwith Dreamworks, and Steve Thompson; he did the last Butthole Surfers' record. And I'd rather be on a major label ... and work with a label who has worldwide distribution cause I'm a worldwide motherf_. I play 23 countries a year, my aim is not to play at Brownies and satisfy all my friends in the neighborhood.

Why did you come to Villanova?

They asked. I'm not picky, I'll play anywhere. I'm not here tonight for the money, I'm here for the gig. I have an agent and I go anywhere I'm asked to go. If you say you like to do your thing, go out and do it.

Do you plan out your speeches?

No. I make some notes. What I'll do is like, write down one word or something and remember to talk about it. But no script, that's too boring. You just tell it like you feel it and just go. Basically, I can do two to three hours no problem.

Are the stories true?

Yeah, life is distorted enough; there is no need to fictionalize. I exaggerate all the time, but it's all true.

What can we expect from your book company in the coming year?

I just signed a brilliant young man, Dustin Prestrige, from Fresno Calif., and a woman named, Natalie Jacobsen, from San Francisco. And I'll be releasing "Do I Come Here Often," by mail order only, around Dec. 2. It's a collection of interviews and articles I've written that haven't come out here in the states. The first 5,000 copies will be hard backs, signed by me.

I could go on and on, and if you saw the show, you know that Henry can too. But, you get the idea, Henry Rollins is a very intense, seriously motivated, and arrogant presence in the entertainment world of the '90s.

There are indeed few people who seem to be as dedicated and contradictory or care as much about what they do as he does.

Rollins tells all.

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Leonardo diCaprio as Romeo and Claire Danes as Juliet fail at tackling Shakespeare.

'90s Shakespeare disappoints

By Paula Giardina
Staff Reporter

Shakespeare created a timeless masterpiece when he wrote his famous play *Romeo and Juliet*. It would seem that this story related to present-day life would be a very good idea, touching the lives of interested viewers once again. But the film "Romeo and Juliet" that was recently released has many flaws.

Set in Verona Beach, somewhere in the United States, the film is an artsy rendition of life in Verona, Italy. With unique camera angles and film speeds, the movie has a surreal quality to it that puts it not in the present but in a fictional world all to its own.

Juliet, played by Claire Danes, is the savior of the film. Her bubbly personality shines through her character, as if she is living the lines that she is saying. Her scenes with Romeo, played by Leonardo diCaprio, capture the love and emotion that Shakespeare meant when he wrote the play. The scenes with diCaprio and Danes are beautifully done, and wrenched with emotion, leaving viewers on the edge of their seats with anticipation.

The scenes about the problems between the Montagues and the Capulets, however, are a bit less entertaining. The traditional families that were created in Shakespeare are portrayed quite differently in this film. The Montagues, for example, are hoodlums in biker jackets and leather pants. The Capulets are surfer dudes that are scared to death of the Montagues.

There are fight scenes with excalibur pistols at a local gas station, an alcoholic priest with the Holy Cross tattooed on his entire back and a Halloween costume party where Mercutio dresses in a silver sequin miniskirt and matching bra. All of these scenes create an atmosphere that is not credible.

Overall, the film is a worthwhile investment of time, as long as viewers know what they are getting themselves into. It is not your run-of-the-mill Hollywood film. It is creative, with touches of the New York scene. Leaving the theater, viewers are left with a feeling of confusion and strangeness created by the film, and a different perspective on the classic lovers.

Whoopi's talent lost in "The Associate"

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

From Philadelphia to Phoenix, throngs of Whoopi Goldberg fans have anxiously awaited the release of the her latest, movie, "The Associate." After all, agency bigwigs have invested umpteenhours and dollars into the advertisement of the comedic star's most recent endeavor, and even Whoopi herself has hit the talk show circuit to indulge in a bit of self-promotion. Despite this rush of media attention, however, "The Associate" still manages to fail in rejuvenating the acting career of its star.

Set in the financial mecca of New York's Wall Street, "The Associate" centers around the life of a hard-working and successful broker, Laurel (Goldberg), who seems to have hit the proverbial glass ceiling. When her arrogant and undeserving partner Frank (played by "Wings'" Tim Daly) manipulates himself into a promotion that was meant for her, Laurel decides to take action and quit, leaving behind an office full of characters, including Frank's neglected, yet business-savvy secretary, Sally (Dianne Wiest).

When Laurel attempts to establish her own investment agency, she runs into an unforeseen and significant problem: clients seem reluctant to sign on to her proposals solely because she lacks a male partner. Despite various attempts to infiltrate the "good old boys club," Laurel realizes that her work will never be taken seriously because she is a woman. It is only in a final attempt to bait a powerful client that Laurel makes the split-second decision of inventing a non-existent male partner: Robert S. Cutty.

Once clients learn of Laurel's attachment to Cutty, offers for business come pouring into her office. She hires Sally, who leaves her job as Frank's secretary, and together the two establish a full-service investment agency. No one but Laurel, however, knows about Cutty's false persona. The financial world simply assumes that he is a globe-trotting jet-setter who leaves Laurel behind to handle all daily business.

The plot includes a series of inevitable twists and turns, but the comedy does not really begin until Laurel is forced to impersonate her associate. Goldberg's transformation into the elusive Robert S. Cutty and the scenes that follow are the funniest in the entire movie; unfortunately, they do not occur until almost an hour has passed.

Goldberg's latest performance is definitely not up to par with more memorable ones seen in movies like "Ghost" and "Sister Act."

Goldberg's latest performance is definitely not up to part with more memorable ones seen in movies such as "Ghost" and "Sister Act." Her chemistry with Wiest, in addition, seems forced and phoney, therefore making their characters' friendship appear even more unbelievable. The most humorous characters are actually those the audience sees the least, including Camille (Bebe Neuwirth), a fellow broker who uses her feminine wiles to excel in business, and Cindy Mason (Lainie Kazan), an intrepid tabloid reporter hell-bent on revealing the true identity of Robert Cutty.

Although "The Associate" does offer some redeeming qualities, such as a convincing performance by Tim Daly and cameo appearances by a handful of other celebrities, its basic story line is uneventful. Unfortunately, this movie proves to be yet another that will be at home on the Blockbuster shelf. All Whoopi's fans have to do to get the basic gist of this one is rent it, fast-forward through the first hour and pay close attention to the last scene.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Social Distortion's latest pleases true fans

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

It has been four long years for fans of Social Distortion, but the band has finally released their sixth and most recent album, *White Light White Heat White Trash.*

Formed and founded by lead singer and guitarist Mike Ness in 1979, *White Trash* is the latest in a long line of sharp, urgent and edgy Social Distortion releases. The band builds an electrifying barrage of guitars on top of simple, but brutally effective rhythms, as Ness' vocals emit all the anger, suffering and aggression present in his lyrics.

On Social Distortion's last two albums, the music reflected their love for '50s country and rockabilly. *White Trash* fuses their passion of the first wave of American punk (1975 - 1979), such as the Clash, the Ramones and Johnny Thunders.

In the early '80s, Social Distortion was making albums that entertained the boys from the Offspring on their way to the prom. In the '90s, the band still finds itself ahead of the neo-modern rockers, sticking with their original ideals of punk rock. Their upcoming lengthy U.S. and European tour proves that they are certainly alive and well.

After living through an agonizing drug addiction and presently being sober and clean, Mike Ness has emerged from his pain and is stronger as the result. One can sense the urgency and tired desperation both in Ness' lyrics and in the band's performance. On *White Trash,* Ness and his band plunge into the sea of personal pain.

From the opening blast of "Dear Lover" to the surprise bonus track, *White Trash* possesses a powerful rock-n-roll sound that not too many bands seem to capture anymore. The message of pain is essential in conveying both the social and personal suffering voiced by Ness.

The word "pain" is mentioned three times in the first song alone: "It ain't nothing girl, till you've felt the pain"; "Dear lover, I can't take the pain no more"; "Dear lover give me one last painful kiss." Some songs revolve around society's impact on individuals, as heard in "Don't Drag Me Down." The self-evaluation of "I Was Wrong" is about people coming to grips with themselves.

Amid Ness' many stories of despair, "When the Angels Sing" is a deep and personal account which was inspired by his grandmother's death three years ago: "Stand up strong, feel the pain When the angels sing/Love and death don't mean a thing till the angels sing."

Ness displays his pain and alienation as relentless guitars give way to anthem-like melodies and rock-n-roll crunch. However, within all these issues of suffering and adversity is a concept ingrained with potential. *White Light White Heat White Trash* lets listeners know that the pain and despair that coats the album is conquerable. What is left is a diary of our times set to the fast-paced tempo of modern life.

Social Distortion will be appearing at the Electric Factory on Nov. 29 at 8:30p.m.

Remember sways from usual sound

By WILL FERGUSON
Staff Reporter

This past August Rusted Root played at the HORDE in Camden. Out of all the bands there they clearly put on the best show. Through their distinct, tribal sound they created such an influx of positive energy which emanated off the stage and buzzed throughout the crowd, that the crowd was almost immediately lifted to their feet.

Everyone was dancing around, clapping their hands, stomping their feet and making strange guttural sounds as if they were native Americans taking part in a rain dance or aborigines celebrating the healing powers of a witch doctor. Even the people who had been passed out on the lawn all afternoon, due to excessive tailgating in the parking lot, at least showed signs of semi-conscious admiration by, if not standing because of queezy stomachs, nodding their dizzy heads to the enticing primal beats. Needless to say fans anxiously awaited for the release of their next album like a freshman guy for a beer at a frat party.

But listeners might be disappointed with *Remember.* Somehow, somewhere Rusted Root lost something on this album. Instrumentally they seem to hoan their skills a bit, but the music loses its energy and therefore loses its ability to energize the listener. Most of the songs come off very flat, almost as if they were uninspired or forced, and they seem to lull listeners to sleep instead of elevating their spirits.

There are some redeeming moments on the new CD, the first being the song entitled "Sister Contine," which had its debut on "Late Night With Conan O'Brien," Oct.22. This song recaptures some of the band's vitality with its hypnotic rythym and lyrics such as, "Well hail, hail for the king is here, yes to pull the salt from your tears and into your manic eye the desert sand and the stone does fly." Another moment is the song, "Who Do You Tell It To,"which also leads one to "remember" the Rusted Root of old through its enjoyably, addictive chorus and its celebrative sound created by utilizing such instruments as the Chinese dholak, a mouth harp and tenor banjo.

The CD is alright. It is not great, like Dave Mathews recent release, but it is not Milli Vanilli awful either. If one is a Rusted Root freak, go buy it just to hear their new sound, if not, save the cash and put it on the Bills Sunday afternoon against the Birds.

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Rusted Root newest CD is a bit of a disappointment.

Midnight Oil succeeds with darker sound in *Breathe*

By JANET RUDDOCK
Entertainment Editor

The usual summer melodies of the environmentally conscious band Midnight Oil evade their latest effort *Breathe.* The band brings to their message driven music a new, darker fall mystery that creates an entirely new ambiance for listeners and adds a needed diversity to the upbeat summer music of their past.

The first released single, "Underwater," continues the band's connection to nature with lyrics that read like a love song to the ocean. Songs such as "Surf's Up Tonight" ring true to the same theme in "Underwater" with lyrics that read, "There's a place where you can forget, you get wet. It's free, you get high, you're alive...surf's up tonight." This connection to nature, the idea of nature being all that one needs, has always been true of the band's music.

On the tenth track, "Home," Emmy Lou Harris sings a duet with Peter Garrett, and creates an enchanting twist with his deep voice. In addition to the Emmylou Harris' duet, Midnight Oil is able to spice up the album with two acoustic numbers. "One Too Many Times," one of the acoustic pieces, is a country ditty that makes one think of what home means to them: "We are so human, we're so small/ We're always coming back for more/A second helping third and fourth, It's gone/ One too many times."

As Midnight Oil continues to fight for what they believe in, they also continue to play great music.

The history of Midnight Oil is vast. The band has been together for 25 years and together under the Oils name for 20. As Peter Garrett once said, "There is a very strong musical character to this band." "I noticed it the first day I walked in to play with them-and it's still there today. It comes from the musicians themselves and the character they have. It's very intensive, very directed, very focused. It's a very single-minded..occasionally bloody-minded, but it really works. It's not tentative or derivative or flaky at the edges," says Garrett. One expects nothing less than eloquent speech from a man who holds a law degree from the Australian National University in Canberra.

Garrett and the band have taken the educational background of Garrett and utilized it to get attention on the issues that matter to them, specifically the environment. They consistently work with Greenpeace, and hold concerts to get their word out, free ones in many instances.

As Midnight Oil continues to fight for what they believe in, they also continue to play great music and record excellent albums. *Breathe* is no exception, with a darker mood and the driving power of the band Midnight Oil continues to please fans old and new alike.

Billy Breathes continues in the classic Phish tradition

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

Billy Breathes, Phish's follow-up to their gold double album *A Live One* is quite possibly their best studio album yet. In their first studio attempt since 1994's highly popular *Hoist,* guitarist Trey Anastasio, drummer John Fishman, Bassist Mike Gordon and keyboardist Page McConnell have produced an album that will finally get them the mainstream attention they deserve after thriving on their extensive fan base for over 10 years. With *Breathes,* the Vermont band best known for its live performances has turned out an outstanding mix of ballads and blues-inspired jams.

The album begins with "Free," which coincidentally is also its first single. The song is a lighthearted melody which sets the tone for the whole album. Guitarist Trey Anastasio's talents are showcased on tracks such as "Character Zero" and "Swept Away," both of which start off acoustically and then develop into more electrially charged jams. The title track delivers the mellow guitar and interwoven harmonies characteristic of the band's earlier works. *Breathes* is heavily laced with ballads, the highlight of which is "Waste," with its haunting chorus "come waste your time with me."

Also evident on *Billy Breathes* are the band's various musical influences. The guitar solo at the end of "Taste" strangely brings to mind the Allman Brothers' classic "Jessica." "Car Trucks Buses" is a flash back to the rock of the late '60s with its electric organs and catchy beat, and "Train Song" is charged with bluegrass vibes.

Billy Breathes explores many different musical options without straying too far from the live sound Phish is known for. This new album is sure to be a favorite of dedicated Phish fans, as well as attract many new followers to the band.

L-R Page McConnell, Mike Gordon, Jon Fishman, and Trey Anastario.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Eating on the Main Line: Altemeo Pizza

By CARA BECKERICH
Entertainment Editor

Altemeo Pizza has possibly the best Italian food available at a decent price in the Villanova area. Located in the Strafford Shopping Center at 369 WLancaster Ave, in Wayne, it is just a jump away. Don't be tricked by the storefront pizza parlor appearance, you definitely will not be served an ordinary scrawny piece of pizza laden with grease and sliding off cheese. The food here is excellent.

Just when it seems you could not possibly eat another teeny piece of Domino's, is the exact moment to try Altomeo's specialty pizzas. With delicacy pizzas such as La Parmigiana (eggplant, ricotta, tomato sauce, and mozzarella cheese), Piccante (hot cherry peppers, sliced Italian sausage, tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese), Boscialo (mushrooms, pepperoni, artichokes, black olives, tomato sauce and mozzarella cheese) or Baked Rigatoni Pizza (baked rigatoni with ricotta cheese, ground beef, mozzarella cheese and tomato sauce over thick crust pizza), it could take hours to decide which suits your tastes. Ranging in prices from $7.05-12.95 for a small and $8.95-14.95 for a large, they may cost more than the student special at Domino's, but they are worth the splurge.

The rest of the menu is filled with calzones, strombolies, stuffed pizzas, white pizzas, steak sandwiches, burgers and fries, and of course, plenty of pasta. Everything is moderately priced but well worth the money.

One rainy night my companion and I opted for the takeout service. We both had pasta, which was absolutely delicious.

The Le Penne Arrabbiate, which is penne pasta tossed with tomato, garlic, and red chili pepper, and the Penne with Italian sausage, left us speechless with our mouths full. We each barely looked up as we shoveled forkfuls of pasta in our mouths while exclaiming how delicious the food was. Each dish came with a fresh garden salad topped amazing Italian dressing and a big warm crusty dinner roll. The pasta tastes just perfect, it is not mushy and does not melt in your mouth like the pasta in Belle Air.They definitely did not skimp on the sausage, which came in big appetizing chunks, smothered in tomato sauce with just enough spice.

All together the experience was so unexpectedly good, the shock still hasn't worn off. The hours of Altomeo pizza are: Mon-Thurs. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri-Sat. until 11 p.m.; Sun. 11a.m.-10 p.m. The delivery hours are Mon.-Sat. 11 a.m. until closing and Sun. 12p.m. until closing. The telephone number is (610) 971-0220

Cultural Film Series continues

BY ERIKA STOLZER
Staff Reporter

"I Don't Want to Talk About It," the next feature in Villanova's current Cultural Film and Lecture Series, opens minds and hearts to a unique romance where love has no boundaries.

A 1993 film directed by Maria Luisa Bemberg, "I Don't Want to Talk About It" is a fairy tale about love and imagination, set in a fictional, Argentinean village during the 1 930s. The narrative focuses on an aging Don Juan (played by Italian icon Marcello Mastroianni) who finds true love — ironically with a woman who is half his age and a dwarf.

The young woman, Charlotte, was raised by her wealthy widowed mother, Leonor, who completely ignores the truth about Charlotte's diminutive size. Formidable Leonor is obsessed about Charlotte's stature, perhaps because she herself is so beautiful. She even bans copies of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarves" from the house. In fact, none of the other townspeople dare to talk about Charlotte, knowing how guilty and shameful Leonor feels about her daughter's "condition."

According to Bemberg, Charlotte just happens to be a dwarf. Charlotte really represents anyone who is different from the rest of society and is designated as an outsider. This notion reflects an issue in Bemberg's own life. It was not until the age of 56 that she was able to overcome the traditional views of women in her patriarchal society by becoming a director praised as "the most important Latin American film maker of her generation."

"I Don't Want to Talk About It" will be shown four times in the Connelly Center Cinema: Sat., Nov. 9 at 7p.m.; Sun., Nov. 10 at 3:30 & 7 p.m.; and Mon., Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students with I.D. and $4 for all others. As with all foreign films screened by the Cultural Film Series, "I Don't Want to Talk About It" will be shown in its original language, Spanish, and accompanied by English subtitles.

The Monday evening presentation will be introduced by the *Philadelphia Inquirer*'s nationally known film critic, Carrie Rickey. Ms. Rickey will also lead a discussion, "I Do Want to Talk About It," following the viewing period.

For more information, please call X94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pippin opens VSMT season

By NOREEN SCANLON
Staff Reporter

If one still associates musicals with singing nuns in *The Sound of Music* and dancing farmers in *Oklahoma,* it is time to experience the hysterically funny, entertaining, inspirational and modern musical, *Pippin. Pippin* (directed by Noreen Scanlon) which runs Nov. 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's auditorium, opens Villanova Student Musical Theatre's '96-'97 season.

Pippin, which was written by Stephen Schwartz, first appeared on Broadway during the end of the Vietnam war. Throughout the show many themes from the antiwar crisis are addressed, including unscrupulous politicians, sex and war. The show highlights Pippin (Andy Silver), a new college graduate and his quest to find happiness in a society affected by social pressures, war, and other tricky circumstances.

Along Pippin's journey he meets up with his adulterous step-mother, Fastrada (Sara Massarelli), perverted grandma (Jennifer Delucia), clueless brother Lewis (Edgar B. Herwick III.), stubborn father Charles (David Fazzini), Catherine the housewife from hell (Amy Acchione) and finally a travelling theatre troupe led by the Leading Player (Todd Emmitt). Through song, dance, comedy, and some very dramatic scenes, Pippin learns about himself and the true meaning of life and happiness.

Although times have changed since *Pippin* first premiered on Broadway, audiences can still connect with the issues encompassed in *Pippin* with similar issues in today's world. College students can especially relate to the confusion Pippin experiences as he struggles in deciding what he wants to do with his life.

The themes, modern style and originality of *Pippin,* make this musical both entertaining and inspirational.

South Street provides fun

By CATHERINE LANGE
Staff Reporter

South Street, located in Philadelphia, is an excellent place to go during the day or at night. From shops to restaurants, this famous street is equipped with a variety of different places for everyone to enjoy.

For music fans, there is the famous Tower Records, located at 610 South Street. This large music store is an excellent place to find the latest hit CD or any other selection music lovers have been wanting.

If one is a clothing and jewelry fan who is looking for something a little different, try Imagine, Guacamole, The Inferno or Zipper Head. Zipper Head, located at 407 South Street, is a store for all walks of life. It sells everything from clothing to music. For Doc Marten lovers, this is a great place to check out the latest styles.

Guacamole, Imagine and Inferno are great places to shop for everything from t-shirts to fashionable women's clothing and colorful scrunchies.

When one wants a break from shopping, stop at one of the many restaurants located on South Street. For relatively inexpensive dining with good food, stop at Fat Tuesdays, where a great meal and a drink can be enjoyed. If one is in the mood for a more upscale, romantic dining experience go to Cafe Nola located on 605 South 3rd Street.

If one is not hungry, but would just like to sit down and enjoy a nice cup of coffee or hot chocolate, stop at The Supreme Bean, located at 615 South Street. The Supreme Bean is a fabulous gourmet coffeehouse with friendly service.

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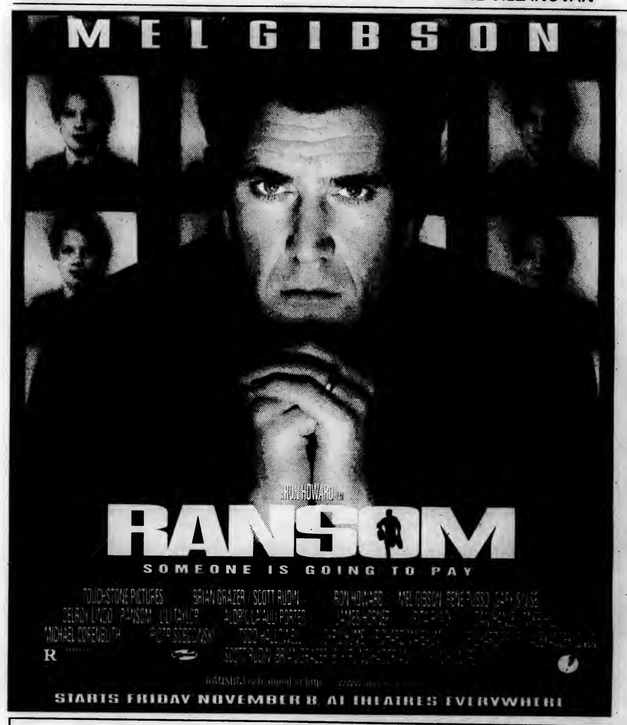

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S P O R T S

Swimming legends honored in poolside ceremony

By DAVID STOUT
Assistant Sports Editor

On Nov. 2 Matt Mone and Don Reed were inducted into the Villanova Swimming and Diving Wall of Honor. These honorees join legendary coach Ed Geisz and Ed Riley as those so honored by the University. The ceremony, which will now be an annual event, was held at duPont Pool.

Mone swam the breaststroke from 1958-62, while Reed swam a variety of events including the 500 free and 200 backstroke during that same period. Reed, a member of the Villanova Athletic Hall of Fame, was the team co-captain and team MVP in 1961. Both of these men were instrumental in the transformation of the swimming program at Villanova from a good local team to one of national prominence. This honor is a great individual accomplishment for these two athletes.

"The highest honor a university can bestow upon an athlete is to retire his number, his track shoes or put him on the wall of honor," noted Athletic Director Gene DeFilippo. "It says a lot about them as people as well as athletes."

Although it is difficult to be modest when honored in this manner, Mone and Reed do not see this as an individual accomplishment at all. To them this ceremony is all about the swimming tradition of Villanova and ensuring that this tradition continues.

"I represent the Villanova swimming tradition-- the loyalty, friendship and pride in being a Villanova swimmer," said Mone. "Those are the strong marks of Villanova swimming. I think that the kids today have the same pride I did almost 40 years ago."

The real reason for this event is to ensure that men's swimming at Villanova has a promising future. Title Nine took all of the scholarships away from the men and gave them to the women. The program was in a difficult situation and in danger of collapsing.

"We had to decide how we were going to rally and keep alive the tradition and the loyalty, what Coach Geisz meant to us and what Coach Barsch is doing now," said Reed. "We said that we've got to get everyone back and build a program, raise money. We have to make sure that no one forgets about men's swimming at Villanova."

The program has certainly flourished. In addition to the athletic All-Americans, the team has had academic All-Americans for six straight seasons. In 36 years the program has produced 43 All-Americans. It is obvious that this a program of great success and one that should be ensured a solid future.

Lukewarm debut for swimming, diving

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The men's and women's swimming and diving teams opened up their seasons against the University of Maryland-Baltimore County. The women were victorious, capturing top honors in 11 of 13 events. The men, however, were defeated by a narrow two-point margin.

The women dominated UMBC, winning by a score of 132-98. The victory came on the outstanding individual performances of a number of swimmers and divers. Kristin Stretanski captured first place in both the 200 Free (1:54.89) and 100 Free (54.36). Amanda Cosman and Anne-Marie Adams finished second in the 100 and 200, respectively.

Also impressive in the short events were Liz Lauwaert, who captured the 50 Free in 25.03, Catherine Sosnowski, who outswam the competition in the 200 IM in 2:23.05, and Julie Lapinsky, who took first in the 200 Back in 2:06. Sosnowski also captured first in the 200 Breast in 2:24.52.

Villanova also dominated in the longer events. Cosman took the 500 Free (5:06.53) while Keri Thorne (10.23.83) took first in the 1000 Free.

Villanova also gathered top honors in the 400 Medley and 400 Free relays in 3:59.05 and 3:42.08, respectively. The 400 Medley team consisted of Lapinsky, Sosnowski, Nicole Robillard and Lauwart while the 400 Free consisted of Stretanski, Robillard, Haibach and Lapinsky.

In diving, Tibby Fogarty dominated the rest of the competition, taking first in the 1m with a score of 228.68.

While the women dominated the competition, the men struggled, being nipped by UMBC 120-118. Despite the loss, the men turned in some stellar individual performances. Tom Tracey, Jarad Lucan, Gus Membiela and Vince Allegra all took top honors in five events. Tracey took first in the 50 Free in 21.76 and as well as in the 200 Back in 1:51.75. Lucan took top honors in the 200 Free (1:45.05) while Membiela finished on top in the 200 IM (1:58.03). Finally, Allegra was the first to touch the pad in the 100 Free in 48.63.

The 400 Free Relay team, consisting of Brian Blitzer, Sal Suau, Brian Finucane and Allegra, took first-place honors, finishing the event in 3:14.00.

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KLICK'S CORNER

Iverson energizes 76ers

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

In the past, I have used this column to take some shots at Allen Iverson. I would like to make amends for that this week by offering Mr. Iverson my sincerest apologies. My attacks were unfair and misdirected.

I have come to the conclusion that Allen is a fine, upstanding young man who has quite a bit to offer to society. Oddly enough, however, for some reason I was blind to his wonderful attributes until the day my beloved Philadelphia 76ers made him the No. 1 pick in last year's draft.

Probably the first thing that led me to believe in his character was his choice to leave Georgetown early. Everyone makes mistakes, but it takes a truly strong man to admit his mistakes and cut his losses. Iverson obviously realized what a dirt-ball program John Thompson runs and got out before it was too late.

As for Iverson's extracurricular activities that landed him in some trouble in high school, what's the big deal? Who among us hasn't been accused of maiming somebody every now and again? I don't think I've ever been in a bowling alley when a brawl didn't erupt. As far as I'm concerned it's all just a part of youth, and the guy just got a bum rap.

With all of those hang-ups behind us, we can start to focus on the kid's game, and what a game it is.

After three games, Iverson was netting 23 ppg which, according to my crack research staff, is a mere 10 ppg fewer than Mr. Basketball himself Trevor Ruffin averaged last year, so Allen is already posting Hall of Fame type numbers.

Allen's skills were made for the NBA. He can break anyone down one-on-one and never even considers dishing off which, of course, makes him the perfect NBA point guard. In fact, of the 76ers' starters, only Clarence Weatherspoon has fewer assists than Iverson's ten.

In all seriousness, despite the fact the Philadelphia 76ers have yet to win a game in the Iverson era, each contest has been a thousand times more exciting to watch than any during last season, and for that feat alone Iverson is already this year's MVP.

Pro tennis comes to duPont

By VINCE ROSKOVENSKY
Staff Reporter

The Advanta Tennis Championships begin on Nov. 11. Villanova's duPont Pavilion has been the location leased for the tournament this year. The $450,000 in prize money has managed to attract some of the world's finest women's players. This women's tennis tournament will include such tennis stars as Steffi Graf, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, Gabriela Sabatini, Lindsey Davenport and Lisa Raymond.

Advanta selected DuPont Pavilion because of its central location and its ability to be accessed from many areas. The location provides many options to would-be spectators. SEPTA trains provide a close walk from the Stadium station for anyone in the Philadelphia area. Those spectators choosing to drive have accessible parking from the Blue Route. Shuttle buses will be available from the parking lots. The sponsors also provide valet parking.

The Advanta Championships are sponsored by the Advanta Corporation, headquartered in Horsham, Pa. Advanta offers credit cards, mortgages, leases, insurance and deposit products. The company boasts sponsoring the only professional women's tennis event in the entire Philadelphia area.

A portion of the proceeds will be given to the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation. The Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation provides a place for answers about breast cancer.

This charity provides various programs and workshops to educate, enlighten and empower women to fight the cancer epidemic. These endeavors include the "Best of Friends" program. This matches one who has cancer with a long-term survivor of the disease.

The proceeds of the $50 "Meet the Players" package and the $300 "Exclusive Pre-Party" package will benefit the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation.

Advanta sells various ticket packages ranging from $1,250 for the Premier Box Seat Package to $120 for a Weekend Series Ticket. Individual match seat range in price from $45 for floor seats of championship matches to $12 balcony seats of early round matches.

As supplements to matches, other events will be offered throughout next week. These events include: pro-am and juniors clinic, Meet the Players Party and auction to benefit the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation, Villanova University Night, autograph sessions, a pro-am and a legends mixed-doubles exhibition.

The Villanovan's Athletes of the Week

Male
Brian Finneran
Football

Brian had nine catches, including two touchdowns, for 229 yards, the second best total in school history. The wideout also collected his 75th reception of the season, setting a new school record.

Female
Maura McGhee
Soccer

Maura tallied two goals in the Wildcats' victory over West Virginia that clinched her team a spot in the Big East Tournament. For the year, McGhee has eight goals.

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FILE PHOTO

The Wildcats were annihilated in two matchups last week. What's worse, the team has apparently had a falling out with the campus barbers.

IceCats melt quickly in NY

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Villanova men's hockey team traveled to upstate New York last weekend for the RIT Tournament. Despite starting off the season with two wins the week before, the Wildcats were highly overmatched in Rochester, dropping a game to RIT by the score of 20-3 and then losing to Mercyhurst 16-0.

The disastrous weekend for the Wildcats began with the embarrassing loss to RIT on Nov. 1. Despite what the lopsided score might imply, it was the Wildcats that were the first to get on the board, as Jon Jett scored his second goal of the season off an assist by Kyle Capallo just 22 seconds into the game.

This lead, however, was short-lived, as RIT struck back 14 seconds later to tie the game. A minute and a half later, RIT struck again to take the lead for good. RIT would strike six more times in the first period alone. At the end of one frame, the Wildcats found themselves on the short side of an 8-1 score.

In the second period, RIT's domination continued, as it tallied another eight goals. The Wildcats, however, were able to get on the board twice in the period, both goals coming off the stick of Capallo and assists on each goal coming from forwards Jett and Steve Cusato.

So far this season Capallo (2 goals, 2 assists), Jett (2 goals, 1 assist) and Cusato (2 goals, 2 assists) have accounted for most of the Wildcat offense.

After trailing 16-3 after two periods, RIT decided to take mercy upon the Cats, only scoring four times in the last period to reach the 20-goal mark.

Undoubtedly, Villanova, which is in its last season as a varsity sport, found itself undersized and less talented than RIT.

For the game, RIT unleashed 76 shots on goal against three different Wildcat goalies, while the Villanova offense was only able to muster 12 shots against RIT.

If a 20-3 loss was not enough to embarrass the Wildcats, a 16-0 shutout the next day to Mercyhurst added proverbial insult to injury. Mercyhurst scored five times in the first, five times in the second and six times in the third on 58 shots en route to demolishing Villanova. Meanwhile, the Wildcats were only able to put 13 shots on the Mercyhurst goaltender.

Despite being highly overmatched against some tough opponents, the Wildcats showed that they are willing to go toe-to-toe with the best. They now look forward to traveling to Fairfield tomorrow.

Advanta Tennis Championships
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Men's soccer loses, fails to make Big East tourney

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Villanova men's soccer team was unable to improve its record this week after losing two disappointing games against Philadelphia Textile and Georgetown. The Wildcats' overall record now stands at 6-8-3 while their Big East record is 3-6-2, leaving them unable to qualify for the Big East Tournament.

On Oct 31, Villanova faced Philadelphia Soccer Seven opponent Textile. Early in the match, Textile's Patrick Morris scored a goal to put them ahead 1-0. It was not until late in the first half when Barry Smith with the help of Kevin Mullin, netted the ball to tie things up at one. The Cats would then take 2-1 lead over Textile after Jon Correll scored a goal early in the second half. However, the opponent was not ready to let 'Nova leave with the victory. Close to three minutes after Correll's goal, Textile's Brent Williams tied things up at two with a shot past goalie Matt Westfall. Textile would then take the lead for good late in the second half with a goal from Philadelphia Soccer Seven scoring leader, Leon Creary. Even with 16 shots on goal, the Cats were unable to capitalize, leaving 3-2 losers. A strong effort was given by all members of the team, especially Correll, who now leads the team with 12 goals and 27 points.

"We played the better soccer, but the scoreboard didn't show this," stated Head Coach Larry Sullivan.

On Nov. 3, 'Nova faced Big East opponent Georgetown. This game was crucial for the Cats; they needed a win to secure a spot in the Big East Tournament. It was evident early, however, that things would not go Villanova's way in this match. Just 52 seconds into the first half, Georgetown's Eric Gvello started the scoring, giving the Hoyas a 1-0 lead. The Cats were able to bounce back late in the first half with a goal from Conner Porter off a pass from Barry Smith.

"He has really stepped up for us in the second half of the season," stated Sullivan of Porter.

Because of his outstanding effort in both of the games this week, Sullivan named him man of both matches.

Porter's goal tied the game at one apiece. Porter's goal would also be the first and last goal of the match for 'Nova. Georgetown would score two more times in the second half to take a commanding 3-1 lead and also clinching an important victory. After nine shots on goal and a great effort from all players, the Villanova men's soccer team was unable to qualify for the Big East Tournament.

"It just wasn't a good day," stated Coach Sullivan. "We lost Correll early to an ankle injury and soon after the team lost their push."

Although disappointed to see the season end so soon, Coach Sullivan has witnessed his team mature and grow as the season progressed. Their effort and hard work was unrelenting. Great and steady performances by Matt Westfall, Jon Correll, Barry Smith and Mike Paskey helped the Cats to strive higher during the season.

With one game left in the season against Temple on Nov. 5, Coach Sullivan and his players are looking to rebuild for next year. Although setting their hopes on qualifying for the Big East Tournament, the men's soccer team cannot be disappointed with their effort in the 1996 season.

Water polo beats Richmond, qualifies for championships

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

The men's water polo team dove right into the Southern Division playoffs last weekend and qualified for the Collegiate Championships tomorrow and Sunday at Harvard.

In the post season opener, Villanova exacted revenge on Richmond, the team that knocked them out of the playoffs last year, by a shutout score of 6-0.

Goalie Brian Brown can take credit for this win, collecting 11 saves and blanking Richmond for the second time this season.

On the offensive side, Pat Kain and Jamie Randall each scored twice, while Dave Prusakowski and Brian Tomsheck each contributed one goal to clinch a birth in the Collegiate Championships. Playing one of its best games of the season, 'Nova narrowly lost to a strong Navy team, 10-11.

Darren Hardel and Tomsheck scored three goals each while Kain picked up two and Randall and Anthony Santoro netted one apiece.

In the final game of the Southern Division Playoffs, 'Nova fell by the same ill-fated score of 10-11 to Slippery Rock. The game was a hotly contested battle throughout, but fatigue got the best of the Cats despite a great team effort.

Hardel put forth a fine performance at the two meter position, scoring four goals, while Randall picked up three, Kain netted two and Tomsheck added one.

Defensively, Anthony Santoro played an excellent game, collecting seven steals. Brown, compiling eight saves, played what Assistant Coach Vicki Gorman called "his best three games of the season."

Despite two tough losses, the team did show much improvement over its last match with the Midshipmen, and Gorman hopes that trend culminates with wins at the Eastern Championships this weekend.

"Our game is complete now," she said. "We've trained hard enough, we've focused on all the different areas and spent ample time on both our defensive game and our offensive game. We're a well balanced team and all our players are ready to play."

Tomorrow morning the team takes on Queens in the first round of the cutthroat, loser-goes-home Collegiate Championships.

In its last year as a varsity sport, a win or two at the Collegiate Championship would be the perfect way to close out the season.

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Intramural Update

Playoff results

First Round:
Fab Frosh 34, Marauders 13
Team Pimp by forfeit over Flag Brigade
The Colts by forfeit over Sigma Pi
Fightin' Squirrels by forfeit over Law
Wild Frosh 39, Fist Heads 34
Hard Corr 24, Pi Kapps 16
MacDaddyz 48, ATO 12
Katherine by forfeit over JB's

Second Round:
Thundering Herd 34, Fab Frosh 6
Hard Corr Killers by forfeit over House of 96
NROTC 25, Team Pimp 13
The Colts over APD
Green Hornets 29, Fightin' Squirrels 16
Dog Pile 56, Wild Frosh 6
I.L.C.S. 33, LXA2 12
Quick Change 31, Hard Corr 22
Abbie 63, 100 Proof 0
LDB 20, New Revolution 12
Shots in Your Face by forfeit over Rubbernecks
Pikes 33, Dirty Dozen 12
LXA1 33, Silver Bullets 26
Rage 34, The Black Knights 6
Aftershock 25, MacDaddyz 14
Morning Missiles 47, Katherine Crushers 18

Third Round:
Thundering Herd 24, Hard Corr Killers 0
NROTC 20, The Colts 13
Dog Pile 25, Green Hornets 19
Quick Change 27, I.L.C.S. 22
Abbie 34, LDB 12
Shots in Your Face 28, Pikes 27
LXA1 21, Rage 18
Morning Missiles 14, Aftershock 0

Fourth Round:
Thundering Herd 34, NROTC 13
Dog Pile 34, Quick Change 7
Abbie 33, Shots in Your Face 6
Morning Missiles 37, LXA1 28

Semi-Finals:
Thundering Herd 45, Dog Pile 44
Abbie 28, Morning Missiles 26

Championship:
Abbie 32, Thundering Herd 28

Abbie took the championship in a hard-fought contest. Abbie held a 12-7 halftime advantage before Thundering Herd scored to take the lead. The score went back and forth before the Herd took the lead with less than two minutes remaining.

Abbie marched downfield, but a pair of delay of game penalties forced them back to a fourth and goal situation from the 19 yardline. Faced with a tough situation, Frank Venezia, one of the team's two players who played varsity football a year ago, made an acrobatic play down the sidelines to put Abbie ahead, 32-28, with just 30 seconds remaining.

The Herd got good field position on the ensuing kickoff and appeared poised to score again. On the final play of the game, Mike Noonan connected with his lineman who was deflagged inches from the goalline.

In the semi-finals, Abbie had battled back from a 20-7 halftime deficit against the previously unbeaten Morning Missiles. In that game, Intramural Director Justin Sell caught the winning touchdown.

In the other semi-final game, Thundering Herd defeated Dog Pile, 45-44, in double overtime.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Name	Record	LW
1. Abbie	**9-0**	**2**
Abbie moves into the top spot after defeating Thundering Herd, 32-38, for the championship. Abbie won its first three playoff games by a total score of 130-18 before struggling against the Morning Missiles.		
2. Thundering Herd	**7-1**	**1**
The Herd lost for the first time in two years. They came up inches short on the final play of the championship against Abbie. The Herd advanced to the championship after a 45-44 double overtime victory over Dog Pile.		
3. Morning Missiles	**6-1**	**9**
The Morning Missiles showed their Top Ten ranking was well-deserved as they advanced to the semi-finals. They held a 20-7 lead at halftime against Abbie before losing by two points. Prior to that, they had scored 98 points in their three playoff games.		
4. Dog Pile	**6-2**	**10**
The Dog Pile made up for a lackluster regular season by playing well in the post-season. They beat Wild Frosh, 56-6, the Green Hornets (formerly No. 3), 25-19, and Quick Change (formerly No. 8), 34-7, before losing in double overtime to the Herd.		
5. Quick Change	**5-1**	**8**
Quick Change moved up three spots after beating the former No. 4 I.L.C.S., 27-22. Quick Change also knocked off Hard Corr before their eventual loss to No. 4 Dog Pile.		
6. The Program	**3-1**	**5**
The Program was eliminated from the playoffs because of their regular season forfeit. Nevertheless, their two regular season victories over NROTC proved that they had the talent necessary to go far in the playoffs.		
7. NROTC	**4-3**	**--**
The Navy boys bowed out to the Thundering Herd, 34-13, but only after establishing themselves as a legitimate contender. Their two regular season losses came at the hands of No. -- Program. In the playoffs, they knocked off the Colts and Team Pimp.		
8. Lambda Chi Alpha 1	**5-1**	**--**
LXA lost to the Morning Missiles, 37-28, but only after knocking off former No. 7 Rage, 21-18. That game featured a controversial endzone call on the final play of the game, as well as a rather disturbing turf injury.		
9. Green Hornets	**4-1**	**3**
The Hornets couldn't ride the momentum from their end of the season victory over Rage, losing to Dog Pile, 25-19. The former No. 3 team actually only won one playoff game, a 29-16 victory over the Fightin' Squirrels.		
10. Rage	**3-2**	**7**
Rage lost a controversial game to LXA, 21-18. After a defensive penalty gave LXA another shot at the win, a close call in the endzone on the final play left Rage, who were No. 2 for most of the year, out of the running.		

Soccer Championships

Thursday, Nov. 14
Women's: 7 p.m.
Men's: 8 p.m.

Field hockey hangs up sticks

By J. BRIAN SEIDEL
Staff Reporter

The field hockey team ended its season last weekend winning two out of three games on the road. This included two very impressive wins in a row, something the team has not done in four years.

"The team has a lot more talent than we have shown this season," said Head Coach Joanie Milhous. "This weekend, we showed exactly what kind of talent our team possesses. This is something that the seniors can look back on and be proud of."

The Cats started the weekend off with a disappointing 4-1 loss to West Chester. Freshman Carrie Calabrese tallied the team's only goal in the first half. Mary Krauss led the Cats, firing three of the team's 13 shots on goal. Even though 'Nova had the Rams on their heels in the first period, they went into halftime in a 2-1 hole.

"This was the most frustrating game of the season," said Milhous. "We completely controlled the first half, but we couldn't put the ball in the cage. We needed a little luck to go our way, but it didn't happen."

After the loss to West Chester, the Cats bounced back to defeat Virginia Commonwealth 6-1. The team received a boost from their usual stars as well as a veteran supporting cast. Seniors Missy Atwell and Nina Berrettini scored two goals apiece. Senior Jill Basile and sophomore Lucy Durbin each registered a goal and Mary Krauss had three assists.

The Cats put the ball in the cage four times in the first period to take a 4-0 lead into the locker room. The second half brought out more scoring by the Cats as they preserved the win.

The season came to an end in Richmond, where the Cats defeated the Spiders by the score of 6-5. The team scored early and often, registering five goals in the first half. It was the fitting end to a frustrating season.

"This was an unbelievable way to end the weekend and the season," Milhous said. "We finally played on the level that we knew we could play on."

Richmond jumped out to a 2-0 lead before Jill Basile scored the first of her two goals with 24 minutes remaining.

Three minutes later junior Jacquie Fulginiti tied the score at 2-2. Lucy Durbin gave the Cats a 3-2 lead less than two minutes later. Basile registered her second goal with a little over 11 minutes until the break. Senior Cheryl Bollenbacher gave 'Nova the lead at the half 5-3.

In the second period, Richmond fought back to tie the score at 5-5 with under 14 minutes left in the contest. However, Durbin came through tallying her second goal of the afternoon with a little less than nine minutes remaining to give the Cats the 6-5 win.

"Cheryl, Allison [Parks], Lucy, Jill, they all had great games," Milhous said. "Jacquie played her best game of the season. She showed exactly what she could."

With the loss of key seniors Allison Parks, Jill Basile and Nina Berrettini, Milhous is expecting a lot of young players to step up.

"We need Jacquie [Fulginiti], Karen [Baldwin] and Lucy [Durbin] to step up and fill the void left by the seniors," Milhous said: "We're also going to see a lot of Mary Krauss."

Milhous and the rest of the coaching staff are very optimistic about next year's team.

They are particularly high on the "fab five" freshman of Clare Turkington, Katie Craig, Jen Manaresi, Sharon LoPriore and Krauss.

"These girls are the present and future of our team," Milhous said. "They are going to be the key to our success next season. We are looking forward to the future."

The Cats finished the season with an overall record of 7-13 and 0-5 in the Big East. With the caliber of talent returning next year, Villanova field hockey seems to be on the rise.

S P O R T S

Women's soccer qualifies for Big East Tournament

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team (8-10-1, 5-4-0 Big East) is headed to the Big East Tournament this weekend due in large part to winning three out of their final four Big East contests.

On Oct. 30, the Cats hosted West Virginia and dominated the first 86 minutes of the game, out-shooting the Mountaineers 19-2 en route to a 4-2 victory.

The first goal for 'Nova came in the 20th minute of play when junior Nicole Posillico netted her third goal of the year on a chip that beat the West Virginia goaltender. Ten minutes later, junior Maura McGhee headed a ball in off of an assist from midfielder Molly Bushman. The Villanova defense proved that they were far superior to the Mountaineer offense as they didn't allow a single shot in the first half.

The second half was more of the same with the Cat defense stymying the West Virginia attack, with the exception of the last few minutes when the game was well out of reach.

Maura McGhee collected her second goal of the game and her eighth of the season when she finished off a cross from fellow offensive threat senior Kathleen Roman. Sophomore Jessica Baratta notched her first goal of the season to end the Villanova scoring with just under seven minutes remaining in the game. The two goals for West Virginia came in the final four minutes.

On Sunday, the Wildcats brought their three-game Big East winning streak into South Bend, Ind., to face a Notre Dame team that was sporting a No. 1 ranking in the country. As they have done to most of their opponents this year, the fighting Irish team dismantled the Cats on their way to a 10-1 victory.

The lone goal for 'Nova came in the second half when sophomore Amy Poplawski took a feed from midfielder Christina Coroneos and headed it past the Notre Dame keeper.

At the Big East Tournament this weekend, Villanova is scheduled to play Notre Dame again. Hopefully, the Cats learned some strategies last weekend that will improve their chances the second time around. The postseason can bring upsets and 'Nova is hoping for one against the top team in the country.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY
The squad must fight the Irish in the first round of the league playoffs.

Wildcats look sloppy without Williams in preseason opener

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

In the midst of all the hype, most Wildcat fans expected the men's basketball team to step on the floor Tuesday night and make the Marathon Oil club team cower in terror. Instead, the exhibition squad of college has-beens brought the Cats back to earth, beating them 84-79.

As should have been expected, playing without starting point guard Alvin Williams who is nursing a sprained ankle, Villanova was just plain sloppy. The Cats turned the ball over 17 times against a team that did not press and had no concept of what team defense is. Just about all of VU's turnovers came on the kind of unforced mental errors that young teams make early in the season.

The one overwhelming bright spot for the Cats was the play of senior Chuck Kornegay. During the first half, he was the kind of dominating force that his 6-foot-9, 235-pound all-muscle frame suggests he should be.

Kornegay controlled the paint in the first 20 minutes of play, grabbing eight boards and hitting on 4 of 5 shooting. The senior forward snatched anything that left the rim, and he displayed a soft touch down low that has been absent from his game in the past.

Fellow senior Jason Lawson also chipped in with a solid offensive night, netting 14 points in limited minutes. He was able to haul in eight rebounds as well. In fact, in contrast with last year, the whole team did a good job on the boards, outrebounding Marathon Oil 47-33. However, that rebounding edge was not a function of improved fundamentals in terms of the Cats finally figuring out how to box out. Instead, 'Nova defenders were usually out of position when they hauled in the boards. Villanova players simply exploited their athletic advantages over Marathon Oil.

As for the freshman phenom, Tim Thomas, it took some time for the rookie to find his game. During the first half, Thomas just plain stunk. He forced shots, going 1 for 8. He got beat on defense. All in all, he looked like a freshman.

However, the second half was a different story. Thomas went 4 for 6, collecting a game total of 17 points. Offensively, he waited for his shots to come to him, working the ball down low and moving to the open spots on the perimeter. This patience paid off, allowing him to get two nice looks at threes, both of which he drained.

Thomas also looked to go to the basket more in the second half, using his great quickness to drive the baseline. He blew by defenders with relative ease, but he did not attack the rim, choosing soft scoops instead of powerful finishes. This kind of meekness near the basket will not serve him well once the Cats enter Big East play.

T.J. Caouette, another freshman, was also a big contributor for the Wildcats. He seemed relaxed on offense, taking his shots in stride. He went 2 for 2 from the field, including 1 of 1 from behind the stripe, recording seven points. Defensively, the 6-foot-7 forward played very smart basketball, beating his man on every cut and never being caught out of position. He also did a nice job on the boards, grabbing five rebounds in just 16 minutes of play.

Despite losing, the exhibition game gave Coach Steve Lappas the opportunity to play 10 guys, something that almost certainly will not happen again in the course of the season. It also provided a wake-up call for the team. Preseason hype and predictions cannot carry a squad through a season. Yes, there is talent on this team, but that talent needs to work on the basics in order to be successful.

FILE PHOTO
Sophomore guard John Celestand struggled in the first outing of the season. As a team, the Wildcats showed some of the mistakes typical of a team in its first game of the season.

Golf team looks impressive in last outings of season

By JAMIE NOONAN
Staff Reporter

The Villanova golf team finished the fall season in impressive fashion. They finished in seventh and 10th place in their last two tournaments, and Steve Horky took 15th and first place in the same matches.

The Knights Invitational took place at the Miscengo Country Club. The 12-team field battled for two days in temperatures that were a little cold and on an incredibly tough course. The fairways were extremely narrow and accurate drives were a must on this heavily wooded course.

When all was said and done, the Wildcats finished in seventh place with a two-day team total of 647. Junior captain Steve Horky led 'Nova with a score of 158 (80/78) that was good enough to tie him for 15th place. Horky was followed closely by Dugan Condon, whose 159 (79/80) put him in a tie for 17th place.

Peter Dlugosch was able to tie for 25th place with a score of 161 (80/81). Closing out the scores for Villanova was John Grinnon's 170 (84/86) and Tim Walker's 172 (87/85). Considering the toughness of the course and quality of competition, the Cats were pleased to finish in seventh place

Heading into the James Madison Invitational, the final tournament of the fall season, the team looked to finish strong. Overall the Wildcats finished in 10th place in the 21 team field. Even more impressive was Horky's first place finish.

Horky finished the two-day tournament tied with a fellow player from Penn State University with a score of 138 (68/70). The first playoff hole was a par five. Horky shot par on the hole, but his counterpart bogeyed the hole, giving Horky the victory. This was a tremendous victory for Horky as Penn State continually produces some of the nation's best teams and players. It was the first time in over four years that a Villanova golfer finished in first place in a tournament.

"Obviously I was thrilled that I won, but I have to give a lot of credit to the team, the coaches and especially the freshmen," commented Horky. "Their commitment and intensity directed toward winning has made it easier not only for myself but for the entire team to shoot low scores."

Unfortunately, the rest of the team did not fair quite as well. Walker finished tied for 61st place with a score of 153 (76/73). Condon and Dlugosch were next when both scored a 156 to tie them for 77th. Jeff Shookus rounded out the field for the Cats with his score of 157 (77/80).

While the team did not finish as high as in the previous match, its scores were lower by a combined 54 strokes in this match. An increased field with some very talented teams is what hurt 'Nova, not a lack of improvement.

With half of the season complete the Wildcats have looked good. Considering the youth of the team when entering the season and having only one golfer with Big East experience, the team has faired quite well.

"We're a team loaded with freshmen, we play three or four a match, but we have great expectations," said Head Coach Joe Moran. "We are extremely pleased with our play so far this season, and we hope to improve in the Spring."

With several freshmen maturing very well, and behind the leadership of Horky, look for good things to come in the Spring. The team has six tournaments in the Spring and their first will be in March at William and Mary.

S P O R T S

Cats run over Rhode Island Rams

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats held off an early Rhode Island comeback last Saturday to come away with a win and keep their Yankee Conference title hopes alive.

Before a homecoming crowd of 7,648 at Villanova Stadium, the Cats scored 17 second-half points to tally a 34-16 victory in their final home game of the season. Villanova's second-half barrage quelled a Ram's 14-point surge late in the first half and helped capture the win.

"We closed it out here big, and we really had to have it," said Head Coach Andy Talley.

The win came on the offensive performances of probable All-American wideout Brian Finneran and quarterback Clint Park.

Finneran had a record-setting day. The 6-foot-5 receiver garnered 229 yards and two touchdowns on nine receptions. The yardage total was the second-best mark in school history.

Finneran also made school history by eclipsing the season reception mark of 74, set by Mike Siani in 1970. Finneran's 75th catch was a momentum-turning touchdown to open the second half, giving the Wildcats a 10-point lead early in the third quarter.

"He's a big-time player," said Talley of Finneran, who was named Yankee Conference Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts. "He's done it time and time again."

The person throwing the ball to Finneran also had one of his best performances of the season. Park looked comfortable in the pocket, finishing the game 19 of 28 for 337 yards and two touchdowns.

Much of the success throwing can be attributed to the outstanding performance of the offensive line which allowed only four sacks and kept the rush out of Park's way for most of the game.

"Our line held up for Clint, and Clint threw me some good balls," Finneran said.

The 'Nova defense was also impressive, continuing its weekly containment of Yankee Conference offenses by holding the Rams' potent squad, which entered the game averaging 31.0 points a game, to a modest 320 yards and 16 points.

Villanova's linemen and linebackers, who have been hampered by injuries the last couple of weeks, slowed down Rhode Island running back James Jenkins to 141 yards on 29 attempts while the secondary kept quarterback Chris Hixson (17 of 31, 163 yards) in check. Jenkins entered the game fourth in the conference in rushing while Hixson entered seventh in passing.

In the end, however, it was Villanova's offense that won game.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter
VU Finneran 42 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU Kiefer 46 field goal

Second Quarter
VU Sifford 1 run (Kiefer kick)
RI Talley 15 pass from Hixson (Walker kick)
RI Jenkins 1 run (Walker kick)

Third Quarter
VU Finneran 6 pass from Park (Kiefer kick)
VU Sifford 21 run (Kiefer kick)

Fourth Quarter
VU Kiefer 30 field goal
RI Safety

The Wildcats opened the scoring on its fourth play from scrimmage when Park threw a pass between two defenders, hitting Brian Finneran for a 42-yard touchdown just 3:19 into the first quarter.

Villanova kicker Mark Kiefer added a career-high 46-yard field goal later in the first quarter, and running back Curtis Sifford added a 1-yard touchdown run early in the second to give the Wildcats a 17-0 lead.

But the lead would be cut down to three before the half.

After Sifford's score, the ensuing kickoff was short and tipped by a Wildcat into the hands of DeLonne Kelly. Kelly took the ball and ran into the end zone for an apparent Villanova touchdown.

But a penalty was called for an illegal tip, as a player cannot tip the ball directly to a teammate. After the penalty was assessed, Randy Tink was forced to re-kick from his own 20-yard line, giving the Rams field position at Villanova's 46. Six plays later, Hixson hit receiver Donald Talley for a touchdown that cut into 'Nova's lead.

After the Wildcats failed to move the ball on their next possession, Kiefer's punt into the wind was short and gave Rhode Island the ball on the Villanova 38-yard line. The Rams then charged to the 'Nova one yard line where Jenkins dove into the endzone on the eighth play of the drive. The touchdown shortened the lead to 17-14 and captured the momentum for the Rams going into the locker rooms.

"I raised a little hell at halftime, just going around and being a cheerleader," said Talley.

The pep talk apparently worked.

On Villanova's second possession of the second half, Finneran scored his record-setting touchdown. Eight minutes later, Sifford capped a 12-play drive with a 21-yard scramble-and-dive for a touchdown.

For the day, Sifford gathered 128 yards and two touchdowns on 20 attempts. It was the second consecutive game that Sifford has broke the century mark.

Villanova would go on to add a field goal, set up by a 61-yard reception by Finneran, that put the game out of reach.

"There were some good seams [in the secondary] and Brad [Finneran] and Josh [Dolbin] had some good blocks for some big plays," said Brian Finneran.

The victory now places the Wildcats (7-2, 5-1 Yankee) No. 16 nationally and in a two-way tie with William and Mary atop the Yankee Conference. If both teams win their last two games, they would be declared co-champions.

Villanova, however, has a tough task ahead, as it must finish out the season on the road against two top 25 teams.

The Wildcats will play New Hampshire tomorrow and James Madison next week to close out the season. Wins against these tough opponents almost assures the Wildcats of a playoff berth.

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Wide receiver Josh Dolbin has played largely in the shadow of superstar Brian Finneran. Nevertheless, the junior from Pottsville is beginning to make a name for himself in Yankee Conference secondaries.

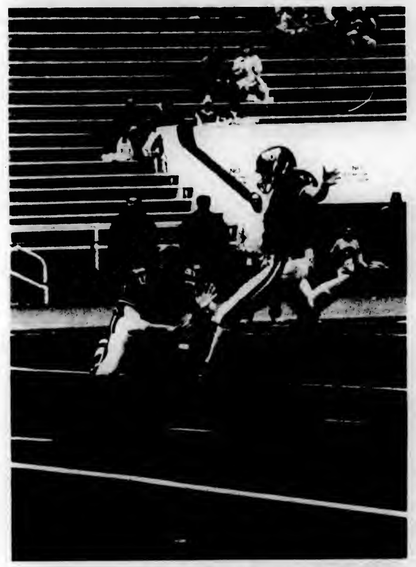

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Mark Kiefer booted a career-long 46-yard field goal last Saturday. The junior has been reliable all season both as a placekicker and a punter.

Cross country places third in Big East championships

By DAVID STOUT
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The women's cross country team suffered its first defeat of the season last Friday at the Big East Cross Country Championships, held at Franklin Park in Boston, Mass. The Wildcats finished third with 72 points behind Providence and Georgetown with 47 and 58 points, respectively. The Cats knew only the thrill of victory coming into this meet, but knew that this would be their toughest test of the season to date. Providence is the No. 1 ranked team in the nation and Georgetown is also nationally ranked.

"Our goal was to win the Big East Championship," said Head Coach John Marshall. "We didn't win the meet, but I think that we really put ourselves in a position to attain our primary goal of being No. 1 in the country."

'Nova was without top-runner Kristine Jost, who was battling a stomach virus, but still managed to place three runners in the top 10. Jost probably could have run in this meet, but she would not have been 100 percent and Marshall did not want to take any unnecessary risks. Leading the way for the Cats was sophomore Carrie Tollefson. Tollefson finished in fifth place in 16:52. Senior Krestena Sullivan finished in sixth place in 16:54, while freshman Carmen Douma turned in yet another strong performance finishing the course with a time of 17:07 to finish in eighth place. The sub-17 minute times of Tollefson and Sullivan are personal bests for both runners. Jurga Marcinkevicuite and Sarah Brandy rounded out the scoring for 'Nova with times of 17:36 and 18:04 to finish 21st and 34th, respectively.

Despite facing some of the best competition in the country without its lead-runner, the Cats did not hang their heads and give up on their goal of a Big East Championship. This maturity undoubtedably will help the team in its final two meets.

"I told the team that we're not going to just roll over because Kristine Jost isn't running," added Marshall. "We went in with a winning attitude and left with a winning attitude. We gained a tremendous amount of confidence knowing that we could win the next two meets."

Villanova's top four runners consistently have been in the top 10, but the mark of this team is that it has seven strong runners. The Big East Championship was indicative of the depth of this team. Sophomore Sarah Brandy stepped up and had her best meet of the season, while freshman Tamicka Grizzle, in her first collegiate meet, turned in a strong performance as 'Nova's sixth runner and 41st overall in a time of 18:16. Kate Etter and Jackie Gruters also ran for the Cats. This balance and consistency will determine how much success the Cats will achieve in the final two meets.

"Our method of winning traditionally would be to score big points up front," said Marshall. "Now we're going for big points with the top three and solid points from the back two. It's a different way of winning- we're not winning races, but we are still winning meets."

With the season down to its final two meets, the Cats seem to be poised to make a serious run at the national championship. The team is running well, has matured throughout the course of the season, has increased confidence in itself after last week's performance and has a positive attitude. Marshall is pleased with the progress his team has made and feels it is at the point he had hoped it would be going into regionals.

"Two months ago I wanted to be here and I'm here," said Marshall. "We started off slow, although we did win the first three meets, but everyone has picked it up. We are in a very good position now and everyone is excited. It's a whole new season."

'Nova next runs in the NCAA Regionals, which is also held at Franklin Park, on Nov. 16.

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Freshman jogger raped on Lancaster

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On Nov. 13 at approximately 2 a.m., a freshman student was accosted and sexually assaulted while jogging on Lancaster Avenue near Black Friar Road, according to Jeffrey Horton, director of Public Safety.

According to Barbara Clement, vice-president/director of Public Relations, the victim was jogging on Lancaster opposite the side of the stadium. The perpetrator was in his car and had seen her jogging. He drove ahead of where she was running and pulled over onto Black Friar Road. He hid in the shrubbery and when she was jogging by, he grabbed her. Horton said that the student was raped. He also said that she had no serious physical injuries although he doesn't know the full extent of the injuries. He called this crime a "definite crime of opportunity."

Clement said that the Radnor Police apprehended and arrested a man who is not a member of the Villanova community, and is a resident of Maryland, later that day. According to Horton, the investigation is continuing.

Public Safety got involved through the Radnor Police and close friends of the victim who notified them. Detective Joseph Palentonio of Radnor Police is in charge of the case. He would not offer comments other than, "It is a report of rape and we are investigating it."

Clement said, "There was wonderful police work by Radnor and Lower Merion to apprehend and arrest the perpetrator quickly." She said that she encourages students to call the escort system offered day and night by Public Safety, to use the buddy system when traveling late at night and to avoid dense foliage and isolated areas if walking.

Horton said, "We [Public Safety] would just like to remind everyone if you are going to jog please use a buddy system, or use the escort service on campus. Personal safety is a serious matter." He continued, "This is serious stuff and unfortunately it can happen, and it happened fairly close to campus, too."

Richard Neville, vice-president of Student Life, said, "My motivation is to alert the community that these things can happen."

The Rev. John Stack, O.S.A., dean of Students, said, "As with any victim, our office and Public Safety are willing to give support to the student." He called this specific incident a "tragic event." He said that with any kind of sexual assault or rape, each victim responds differently, and the school will be with the victim through all of this for help. He also said that this area is generally safe, and this incident is one of stranger-rape. He said, "This is a terrible way to have to learn that you can't take anything for granted." He also said, "When something like this happens that is public in nature, people don't always change their behavior." He encourages everyone to make sound judgements about personal safety.

Many students turned away from polls on Election Day

By JOE PATTERSON
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On Election Day, Nov. 5, dozens of Villanova students were turned away at the polls. Most of these students, estimated to be between 50 and 80 in number, had registered to vote through on-campus political groups. The two groups, the College Democrats and the Political Awareness League (PAL), claim that the breakdown occurred after they turned in the forms.

Jim Delaney, the coordinator of the Voter Shuttle which ferried students to and from the polls, claims that approximately 30 percent of the students who used the shuttle were turned away. The shuttle took over 200 students to three different polling places. There is no way to measure how many students were turned away that did not take the shuttle.

About a month prior to the elections, the College Democrats had set up tables outside of the Dougherty and Donahue dining halls and PAL set up a table outside of the Connelly Center. Students that registered through both groups during that week were turned away.

"I want to know who is responsible for this, and I want an apology," said Paul Teare, a freshman who registered as a Republican through the College Democrats.

"Somebody threw away my right to vote," said John Chaimanis, a freshman who said he registered through PAL.

Laura Brown, president of the College Democrats, claimed that she handed her batch of registrations to the home of Cliff Wilson, the chairman of the Democratic Party of Delaware County, on Oct. 6. On Oct. 7, the forms were taken to the Party's office to be examined before being submitted. Throughout the process, John Sullivan, a former Villanova student, served as a liaison between Brown and the Democratic Party.

According to Sullivan, who examined the forms on Oct. 7, there were mistakes on several of the students' registrations. He said that his attempts to correct these mistakes were seriously limited because several students had not included their phone numbers. Of those he was able to call, only three students responded in time for him to make the corrections. The Party then gave the forms, including those with mistakes, to the courthouse.

"I turned them into the courthouse knowing full well they might be rejected," said Sullivan. "They may have been well within their legal limits [to reject the registrations]," but added that an item such as a missing date of birth "should not make or break a registration."

Brown claims that the members of her group who were registering the students were responsible for checking for mistakes. Several of the students who were turned away at the polls agreed that their forms had been examined by the people at the tables, although others admitted that their forms had not been checked.

Each student, though, claims that

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PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN

The Villanova Wildcat made an appearance at this past weekend's Olympic Town.

Freshmen may be barred from Fraternity Rush

By DOMINICK MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

The University will begin exploring the possibility of permanently deferring all Greek Rush from the spring semester of freshmen year to the fall semester of sophomore year next week, and the Rev. John P. Stack, O.S.A., dean of Students, claims that the plan, if passed, could be a reality for the class of 2001.

Next week the Student Life Committee, a sub-committee of the University Senate, will begin to discuss and evaluate the pros and cons for deferring Rush. Although the Senate will be making the final decision, the Student Government Association (SGA) president, Pete Acton, stresses the importance of this being an inclusive process.

The Student Life Committee, headed by junior Arts Senator Anthony Passeri, will listen to arguments from members of the Greek community as well as non-members at a future forum. At the backbone of this debate will be a report issued by Stack kpown as the "White Paper."

"The White Paper" contains factual, unbiased information concerning the pros and cons of deferring Rush. It was created and researched by graduate assistant Adrienne Earl under the guidance of the Director of Greek Affairs Gary H. Bonas.

According to Bonas, "The White Paper' is designed to give to the Student Life Committee some background information because many of the people on there really have no background knowledge of why this is even being discussed." He assures that the report is strictly factual and unbiased.

The report consists of facts from national surveys concerning fraternity and sorority roles on college campuses particularly in relation to freshmen life. Comments from schools such as Muhlenberg, Lafayette and Dartmouth, which have all chosen to defer Greek Rush until the first semester of sophomore year were gathered for the report. Earl contacted every one of the national offices of the fraternities and sororities on campus for their opinions. She will also be conducting focus groups with chapter advisors, presidents and members for their input.

After listening to all sides of the issue, the Student Life Committee will then present a proposal to the Senate Floor sometime around February according to Acton. The University Senate, comprised of one-third faculty, one-third administration and one-third students, will then debate the issue and send their recommendation to the University President, the Rev. Edmund Dobbin, O.S.A.. Finally, it will be up to Dobbin to approve the Senate's decision.

The Alcohol Task Force, established to study and address the problems of alcohol abuse and make recommendations for possible solutions, made the initial suggestion that the study of the benefits of deferring Rush be started in September of 1996. According to the Task force report, deferring Rush is seen as a way of helping the Villanova culture change as well as giving it a chance to become more academically oriented.

This announcement does not surprise many. Stack claims that he has been thinking about the impact of deferred Rush for over 10 years. The reasons for deferring Rush now are the same as those which were brought up in 1988, when sorority Rush was deferred from fall semester of freshmen year to the spring semester.

In an article of *The Villanovan* from Feb. 12, 1988 Stack explained,

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Poet Seamus Heaney comes to campus

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

World renowned Irish poet, Seamus Heaney, spoke at the University last night,. Heaney was awarded the 1995 Nobel Prize in Literature in Stockholm, Sweden, last November.

The award was given to Heaney "for works of lyrical beauty and depth, which exalt everyday miracles and the living past."

Critics call Heaney the most popular poet writing in English today. His books sell by the tens of thousands, and hundreds of "Heaneyboppers" attend his readings.

Heaney's presentation was after *The Villanovan* went to press. Next week's *Villanovan* will feature complete coverage of yesterday's poetry reading and an in-depth interview.

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EDITORIALS

Marc Angelaccio takes a stand against wagering. Anybody want to bet it's any good? I didn't think so. Patterson writes about a really old guy who said things that got him in trouble, but it's not Bob Dole. Also, Ann Gavaghan continues her series on the lesser holidays with a piece on Veterans'. Stay tuned for columns on Groundhog Day, Arbor Day and Bastille Day in the near future.

FEATURES

Wondering what PeteShel is up to these days with the SGA? Turn to Features to read about all their accomplishments including the bang up job they did on those Student Directories and the new clothing optional sections of certain engineering classes they fought for. And for Hunger Awareness Week, some students think about being hungry.

ENTERTAINMENT

"Michael Collins" brings the Emerald Isle to life on the big screen. It gives viewers a glimpse of all Ireland has to offer from jigs to car bombs and lots and lots of potatoes to be sure. The finale duet of Julia Roberts and Liam Neeson of "Danny Boy" leaves no dry eyes in the theater. If you're looking for a more cerebral movie, check out Bill Murray in "Larger Than Life."

SPORTS

Sorry, there's no Fire and Ice this week. It seems Nobel laureate Seamus Heaney has asked the two sports poets to travel with him and Henry Rollins on their spoken word tour. And speaking of world class writers, football beat reporter Marc Angelaccio is that darn good that he didn't even need to go to the game against New Hampshire to cover it like a champ.

Four University professors elected as AAUP Villanova chapter officers

By JANNA DOUVILLE
Staff Reporter

An election for the Villanova chapter of the Association of American University Professors (AAUP) was recently held at the University. The newly elected officers are as follows: president, Harry R. Strack, political science; vice president, Walter Conn, theology; secretary, Evan Radcliffe, english; treasurer, Cecelia Ready, english.

The AAUP is a national organization composed of college professors across the country who wish to become a member. This organization represents the interests of all college educators by protecting their rights, privileges and benefits. Strack said that the AAUP sets down policies on important issues that are of concern to all professors. These issues include academic freedom, tenure, professional ethics, faculty governance and students' rights and freedoms. The policies propagated by the AAUP are legally documented and recognized by courts throughout the country. Dr. James Bergquist, member of the National Council of AAUP, added that the AAUP develops standards for college professors to maintain in their profession.

The University's chapter of the AAUP has existed on campus for about 55 years. Bergquist said that through the years the AAUP has been a fairly active organization. With the recent election of new officers, it is anticipated to be even more involved. The University's chapter currently consists of about 65 members, which Strack hopes to see increase in the future.

These members meet at numerous times throughout the year to discuss various issues. Strack said that one main issue that professors deal with stems from their changing profession. Education institutions are becoming much like corporations, and professors must adapt to a new corporate mentality.

Strack added that not only is the AAUP concerned with protecting the rights, privileges and benefits of professors, but it is also interested in benefiting students. The AAUP recognizes faculty misconduct, which points out that professors have responsibilities as well as rights. He said, "When a student's academic freedom is violated, we are interested in that, and we try to help."

Students unexpectedly denied at polls

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the possibility that they made a mistake was nearly non-existent, considering the simplicity of the form and the model registration that was provided at the table. Brown agreed that the registration forms were quite "black and white." Sullivan disagreed, claiming that the forms have become much more complicated since Gov. Tom Ridge took office.

In PAL's case, the on-campus registrations were hand-delivered to the Delaware County Courthouse so as to avoid a middle man. Kevin Klesh, the president of PAL, said that he watched as the forms were inspected by a woman at the courthouse. According to Klesh, only one student had made a mistake, and the woman immediately called the school and rectified the matter. The other forms, namely those who wanted to register in an area other than Delaware County, were mailed to their respective areas.

In any event, many students expressed skepticism about the explanation that somehow it was their fault. Most found it hard to believe that such a large percentage of Villanova students would be unable to properly fill out a form.

Several names were checked against the records of the chief clerk of the County of Delaware, who claimed she would have a record of the students even if they had made mistakes in their registration forms. Only one of the names, though, appeared on her list. The other names, she claimed, were never submitted. Even the registrations that came in late had been opened and the County should have had some record of the voting hopefuls.

Sullivan believed that it was not just Villanova students who were given a bad deal, claiming that there were "irregularities at the polls throughout the county." He speculated that students are viewed as "a threat to the Republican political machine" because they are less likely "to pull the big R ", meaning that students tend to be less likely to vote strictly along party lines. As a result, not just Democrats but all students would be put under more scrutiny. "It's not a problem with Laura Brown and the College Democrats, the problem resides with the Board of Elections," said Sullivan, who served as president of the College Democrats when he attended Villanova.

Klesh called such an explanation "improbable," adding that "if the problem resides with the Delaware County voter registration office, it is probably because of oversight or some problem with the processing system."

Apparently, there was a wide variance as to how the actual polling places handled the individual situations. Some students who were originally turned away were eventually able to vote. Jeremy Kampp, a senior, was able to secure a court order from a judge in Media that forced those at Radnor High School to allow him to vote. One student was simply asked to fill out an additional form at Radnor High School. He claims he was not even asked for a form of identification. According to another student, this practice had been halted by the time she visited the polls due to legal concerns. Yet another student was "shuffled around for nearly two hours" before she was told that her change of address form had not been processed and that she was still registered in Allentown.

With so many steps involved, it is tough to assign responsibility for what happened on election day. Part of the confusion is that Villanova is split into four different districts: Moriarity is one district; Caughlin and McGuire are in another; Katherine, St. Monica and Stanford are in yet another; the rest of the campus is in a fourth. In at least one case, the County believes that a student went to the wrong polls to vote.

Klesh believes some of the problems could be eliminated by centralizing the registration drive into a single, coherent process. He has asked Student Development to grant PAL a "'patent' on on-campus registration drives" to "ensure that they are conducted in a cooperative and careful manner."

Sullivan believes that a lot of the problems are unavoidable. "People have this idealistic vision of a smooth running machine," but that the "voter has to be prepared to go through this."

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Special Olympians compete on campus over weekend

By COLLEEN CASEY
Staff Reporter

Villanova University accomodated 850 Special Olympians from across the state this past weekend. The committee and more than 2,000 volunteers joined to partake in the only student run Special Olympic's event in the nation.

Fall Festival is the final level of competition before the summer games which are held at Penn State University. The athletes competed in power lifting, long distance running, roller skating, soccer and volleyball.

"The festival was a huge success," said Anthony Abbatiello, Entertainment and Clinics Chairperson. "I've been on the committee for the past two years and I've never seen such a well organized and team- oriented committee than the 1996 Fall Festival committee."

The Fall Festival's previous successes led Special Olympics International to send the Carrs Board to observe Villanova's festival. In a letter addressed to the Special Olympic's committee Tina Dionne states, "the planning and hard work was readily apparent from the onset. The committee did an outstanding job for the Fall Festival." Jen Gamper, Festival Director said, "It was an honor to be visited by Special Olympics International. The Carrs Board said they would like to model Villanova's Fall Festival and use it to go International."

"To see the smile on the athletes faces makes all the work completely worthwhile," said Pete Rausch, V.I.P.'s and Hospitality Chairperson. "The Fall Festival gives the Villanova community the opportunity to help others and in the process to learn more about themselves."

"The Fall Festival gives students the opportunity to work to improve the quality of life for other people," added Sarah Sturges, director of Administration. "Villanova is filled with community minded students who want to be involved in making this a better community."

"It's great to see that so many people are willing to volunteer their time and effort for such a worthy organization," said James Canney, Evaluations Chair.

"I've been involved for four years, and this is the best committee that I've ever seen," said Gamper. "During closing ceremonies, I saw an athlete sitting in the stands crying because he had such an amazing weekend he didn't want to leave," Gamper added. "I couldn't have asked for anything more. Each committee member and volunteer gave 110%."

PHOTO BY MEGHAN MONAHAN
Special Olympic participants enjoy Olympic Town

Visitation policy subject to change soon

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
Assistant News Editor

The Student Government Association has formed a committee to address Visitation concerns with the intent to implement change based on the interests and opinions of the students.

The committee, which consists of 15 student members and is headed by Michelle Nicoletta and Julie Walheim, meets once a week beginning from the second week of school. Nicoletta said, "We as a committee haven't approached the entire administration yet because we wanted to have background information."

The committee plans to submit a proposal to Dr. Richard Neville, vice president of student life, by Dec. 1. The proposal consist of three components. The first is the survey conducted among the students in 1993. Nicoletta said, "We have statistics from three years ago that overwhelmingly show students want visitation to change." The second component will be the results from recent forums in dorms discussing the policy, five of which have already been conducted.

According to Nicoletta the forums are open to all residents of that particular dorm so that they may voice their opinions. Resident Assistants attend as well. The third component of the proposal will be a comparison of policies at schools similar to the University. The bound report will then be presented by Neville to the Board of Trustees, and they will make the final decision.

According to Nicoletta, Neville said that the administration is open to all new ideas. Nicoletta said, "People have the idea that the administration is very conservative and not open, but they are very open to change." She continued, "Since 1993, there have been progressive movements to change." She used the apartments and coed dorms as examples.

Nicoletta said,"It is not necessarily just extending visitation hours that students want. Many people are looking into coed dorms because men and women have to interact in the classroom and workplace. Coed dorms could foster positive interaction. We [the committee] are stressing the academic reasons for coed dorms like, for instance, having study groups."

During the forum conducted in Sheehan Hall on Nov. 6, Nicoletta asked the residents to speak on both positive and negative aspects of the policy. One student commented on the dilemma of not being able to let her 17 year old brother stay with her over homecoming weekend because of the policy. She couldn't get him into Sheehan because it was past 2 A.M. and as a result he had to climb through a window.

Nicoletta said that the residents of Fedigan Hall were also complaining that their sisters and female cousins could not stay with them. She said, "As far as the sibling thing is concerned, I think if your brother wants to stay with you on homecoming weekend, then that is something that he should be able to do. But if the administration says, 'Okay, if you have a sibling that wants to stay with you, that is fine.' then where do we draw the line? If we start making exceptions for siblings, then before you know it, on every Friday and Saturday night, I have a different brother or sister that wants to stay with me."

Other issues addressed by students were that at 18 years old, they are adults and should be treated like adults; and that students are in coed classes and need to study with the opposite sex, and people do not usually begin studying realistically until 10 P.M. but the libraries close at midnight which is also when the visitation hours end, among other concerns.

Nicoletta said that a decision will hopefully be made before the lottery for residency begins. She said, "We will make known to the community what we know as soon as we can."

Deferred Greek Rush proposal

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"Freshmen need to get acclimated academically and be sure of themselves. Rush is time-consuming and puts a great amount of pressure on the students to be really involved." Now, almost nine years later, deferred Rush is once again an issue on campus. Stack says that he is once again in support of it.

Dr. Richard A. Neville, the chair of the Task Force as well as the vice president for Student Life, sees freshmen as "not ready" to enter into the Greek community.

Bonas adds that freshmen Rush even destroys community. "They(freshmen) end up going into a much more homogenous group then they originally were, and this almost flies in the face of what we're trying to do at Villanova which is to get people to experience and learn to appreciate differences." He feels that the proposal for deferred Rush is not to phase out the Greek system, but instead to improve it as well as the entire Villanova community.

Panhellenic President Meghan Joyce agrees with Bonas that the intentions behind deferred Rush are to aid both Greek and non-Greek life but argues that there are other options. The Interfraternity Council President Neil Holland believes that one of these *options is that the faculty and administration need to work in cooperation* with and not to detract from the Greek community in realizing the potential of the fraternities and sororities as powerful builders of leadership, morals and community.

Acton sides with the two Greek leaders in saying, "You don't teach by taking away." He feels that by working *within the structure of the Alcohol Task Force, Villanova can help to* better the alcohol problems of the University before it takes away freshmen Rush.

PHOTO BY MICHELE RYSAK
Villanova cheerleaders qualify for national competition for the third year in a row.

Cheerleaders to compete in Nationals for third year

By CALISTA HARDEN
Assistant News Editor

The Varsity Cheerleaders recently qualified for the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) Division I-AA National College Cheerleading Championships for the third consecutive time.

They placed 7th in the last championship after entering the contest as the 16th ranked squad. The team received a bid into the semifinals as 14th in the nation this year. "The combination of experience and talent is going to allow us to make a marked improvement from last year," said senior co-captain Phil O'Neill.

In order to compete in the 1997 Championship at Disney World-MGM Studios in Orlando, Florida, the squad sent a videotape demonstrating a cheer, a sideline and 90 seconds of different skills to be judged. The UCA scores and rates the taped skills on the level of difficulty, cleanliness and sharpness and visual appeal. The top 16 to 20 teams vie for the championship. The top four teams, Morehead State, Sam Houston State, George Mason and University of Delaware, have a paid trip and an automatic place in the finals. All other teams reach the finals by scoring over a determined point break.

The University's 16 member team of nine men and seven women practices nearly everyday to prepare for the nationals as well as football and basketball games. "We have to be more intense, focused and in better shape for nationals," said senior co-captain Kristie Greco.

Coach Kara Doucette in her first year is helping them develop their intensity, focus and fitness. "Her knowledge, expertise and desire to succeed has been an excellent addition to the team," said O'Neill about Coach Doucette.

Another asset for the team is its ability to work together happily. "Something special about our squad is that we get along well," said Greco. "We have met other squads that don't talk to each other out of cheerleading. Getting along makes things more enjoyable and makes us a better team."

The cheerleading squad believes it has many things to propel them to an impressive finish in the national championships Jan. 9-12. "The support we have gotten from the University, student body and the athletic department has been incredible," said O'Neill.

"[Nationals] are a big responsibility. We are looking forward to improving our place from last year. We hope to place in the top five and get TV coverage," said Greco. "The team is young and many of them are excited about being there for the first time."

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

University needs more renowned speakers

Last night, Nobel Laureate Seamus Heaney spoke on campus giving students a great opportunity to listen to a globally recognized figure practice his art. It is opportunities such as this that create the intellectual atmosphere requisite for a complete collegiate educational experience.

Sadly, however, the appearance of a figure as important as Heaney is something of an anomaly on this campus. It is rare that Villanova hosts a speaker who is known by students from every discipline, rather than someone who is known only within their own field.

One would think that a university of this stature would be able to attract national figures throughout the year. Instead, except for Heaney and the visit earlier this year by presidential candidate Bob Dole (an event that was more a stroke of good fortune and coincidental scheduling than anything else), we are inundated with lecturers whose topics are so narrow or obscure that they automatically shut out a healthy portion of the student population. This is not to say that departments should not host lectures that focus on issues that may solely be of interest to their major. However, as a university, it should be a priority to promote interest in all areas of study. One way to do this would be to bring to campus speakers that will capture the attention and pique the curiosity of students from accounting to astronomy.

Villanova consistently ranks as one of the better teaching schools in the region. But the college education extends beyond the classroom, and developing a student's interest outside of required course work is certainly a healthy complement to a strong classroom experience.

Maybe Villanova still needs to develop a reputation that would entice more speakers. More likely, though, the University could improve its situation by actively courting renowned lecturers. It seems as though the most notable speakers come for the commencement ceremonies, and even they tend to leave something to be desired. In any event, lectures by quality speakers should be a year-round occurrence

If Villanova is truly committed to becoming a national university, we can't continue to be deficient in such an important area of the college educational experience.

'Novan Poll

Are the speakers that Villanova gets to come to campus satisfactory?

Should the University make a more active effort to entice quality speakers to speak on campus?

What could the University do?

Are lectures an important part of college education?

What makes a speaker particularly good?

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L E T T E R S

Concern about alcohol is absurd

To the Editor:

Just a few thoughts on this school's newly waged war on alcohol. . . Every time I see *The Villanovan*, I'm forced to stare at an absurd amount of anti-alcohol propaganda and statistics that tell me that VU is the hardest drinking school in creation, which, in my experience, isn't all that true. As far as I can see, this Administration is bent on correcting this fabricated alcohol problem by attempting to drastically cut down on the alcohol consumption on campus, which, in itself, is also absurd. What the Administration needs to realize is that this is college, and people are going to drink, whether it is allowed or not. The administration's plans on curbing the use of alcohol, which are stated in the Alcohol Task Force report, are so ridiculous that they actually made me chuckle when I first read them. Among them were: Keeping the library open later on weekends (The justification behind this, by the way, is that the Administration believes that the students don't have enough work to do, and that this is one of the causes of our alleged alcohol crisis) and "Senior Service Saturday," which would replace the "Senior Crawl." Is this a joke? Who thought of all this? I'd say it's a good bet that it wasn't an idea of the average student.

By attempting to impose such far-fetched policies on us, the Administration is building a wall between itself and the students. Obviously, these policies are not being conceived by the average member of the student body, who, for the most part, is being ignored. This leads to the question: "What is a school without its students?" My guess is that it's a group of out-of-touch, misinformed people trying to tell others what to do without listening to any feedback. If anything is to be resolved, common ground must be reached.

It has come to my attention that one reason why the Administration is so up in arms about these new found statistics is that it believes that the community now frowns even further upon Villanova students. Well, I believe the school is missing one very important point: By employing Gestapo-esque tactics in enforcing the alcohol policy, all of the students are being forced to go off campus to party. Here's my point: What is more disturbing to the community, a bunch of drunk kids stumbling around campus, or a bunch of drunk kids stumbling around town? Therefore, this new alcohol policy, which in part is aimed at bettering relations between Villanova and the surrounding community, is forcing students out into the community to party (and basically act like college kids), which in most cases will not improve the school's standing with our neighbors.

It has also been brought to my attention that another motive behind the stricter policies regarding alcohol is the school's concern for the students' safety. I especially get a kick out of the school trying to sway the student body by telling us all of the bad effects of alcohol. But guess what. Students drink anyway! On the other hand, is the Administration really thinking of the students' best interests as it basically forces everyone off campus every weekend to do battle with the Radnor cops who arrest minors for even thinking about beer? That doesn't seem to make sense. Personally, I even wonder if this war on alcohol is aimed toward the benefit of the student body or toward the benefit of the school's image, because to me it really doesn't make much sense. It's all well and good to set these altruistic goals to halt the use of alcohol on campus, but it's not a realistic approach, and it simply won't work.

Now I'm not trying to say that a lax alcohol policy will prevent students from going off campus to party, but what I am trying to say is this: This is college, and college students will drink regardless of what the Administration says. By entering into this war against alcohol, the school is only pushing the problem away from the campus, and nothing is being resolved. To really address the problem of alcohol on campus, the Administration must first consider all of the long term consequences of its stricter policies, and then make an effort to work with the student body to reach a compromise of sorts that will truly benefit the school as a whole. Until we remove this wall between the Administration and the students, nothing will ever be resolved.

Joe Keohane
Class of 1999

County officials at core of voting problems

To the Editor:

We, the College Democrats, would like to address the issue concerning voter registration for the 1996 presidential election. For two weeks prior to the registration deadline, the College Democrats assisted Villanova students in registering to vote. It was disturbing to learn that several of the students who registered with our organization were turned away at their respective voting sites. What was even more unsettling was that those students who were affected publicized the issue rather than confronting the source. We feel that we would have provided a more accurate explanation regarding the situation that occurred on Nov. 5.

As the Villanova College Democrats, we fulfilled our obligation to register voters. Once the forms left the University, the disposition of the county party officials was out of our control. Some of the forms that were submitted and reviewed, were re-examined by election officials who processed them. The forms were then scrutinized by county officials and some were rejected. This rejection was the sole responsibility of the county officials and beyond the jurisdiction of the College Democrats. This did not happen to Villanova alone; other area universities were affected as well.

The primary objective of the College Democrats was, in fact, to register students regardless of their political affiliation. We feel that it is more important to exercise one's right to vote rather than to abandon one's opportunity to voice his or her opinion in the political system which governs us all.

The College Democrats would like to apologize for any inconvenience or hardship that may have been caused by the inefficient scrutiny of the county election officials. We are frustrated that students who were willing and enthusiastic about voting were not able to fulfill their constitutional right.

Villanova College Democrats

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Veterans' Day should be a time of reflection

By ANN GAVAGHAN

Monday was Veterans' Day.
Did you know?
Did you remember?
Did you care?

On campus, Veterans' Day went on like any other. Classes weren't canceled. No voice message was sent out. Mail was delivered. Of course, I'm not sure what canceling classes would have done, anyway. Look at how Veterans' Day is commemorated in the real world. It's a day off from work for some. Stores use it as an excuse to have another sale. Television news marks it with 30-seconds of footage of an elderly man, wearing an ancient WW II uniform, placing a wreath upon the memorials erected to his fellow soldiers. Then it's time for weather. Veterans' Day falls less than a week after election day. Turnout at the polls is lower and lower each year. People seem to take voting for granted, forgetting that somewhere, someone died to preserve that right for Americans. Indeed, all of our "inalienable" rights are routinely denied to others around the world. We are lucky enough to have them due to the sacrifices of people who fought and died for our system of government.

not just another load...

I am sure at this point in my column, some are doubting my liberal credentials. But Veterans' Day is not a matter that belongs on the political spectrum. I hate war. If I were drafted, I would do anything possible to get out of a combat situation, and serve instead in a way that would not support the war effort. And when there is war, I voice my objections to it. Our peaceful demonstration against the Gulf War in high school nearly caused a riot; after all, it wasn't the most popular view to hold at the time. But people who would probably disagree with me are willing to give their lives in order to protect my right to speak. Radicals rarely acknowledge that the military guarantees their existence. And just because I despise war, it does not mean I cannot respect and honor those who fight.

How have we repaid the men and women who have fought in wars both popular and unpopular? After World War II, our "last good war," we welcomed Americans home from Europe and the Pacific with open arms. Korean War veterans barely got any recognition, for it was hard for the country to feel good about a war we did not win. And even as we were leaving Korea, we were entering Vietnam, which would embroil the nation in turmoil for nearly twenty years. Men who did not want to go were drafted. Men who could not use connections to receive a lighter assignment ended up doing the fighting: the poor, the minorities, the uneducated. They were spit upon when they returned to the United States, hated for the orders of their generals and politicians. Poor leadership made Vietnam a debacle, and has marked our military conflicts since. What business did we have in Grenada? A similar case can be made in the Persian Gulf War, where we spent millions in money and manpower liberating a tiny monarchy, with riches and oil oozing from its sands. But what good has come from it? It was like a grand pep rally for Americans, but it ended with thousands of veterans afflicted with Persian Gulf syndrome. They lie too ill to work, their children suffering from birth defects, as doctors try to figure out what is wrong without any government cooperation. Thank God now that we are not in a war. American troops are stationed all over the world, keeping war from ensuing in troubled regions. And while I would love to see the military used primarily as peacekeepers, I am saddened by the knowledge that I almost certainly will see another senseless war fought during my lifetime, with American soldiers used as pawns for the whims of politicians. And once they have endured combat, and been discharged, what will they find? One out of every three homeless people is a veteran. Has their experience so changed them that they have ended up on the streets? And doesn't the government owe them more than a day?

The armed forces should use Veterans' Day as an opportunity to reflect upon what qualities make a good soldier. I don't know whether the cynicism of the country has warped the military, or the behavior of the military has caused our cynicism, but it seems rather ironic that on this Veterans' Day, women serving in the Armed Forces were coming forward with stories of rape and sodomy from within their own ranks. Have all our standards fallen, so that we allow a military where a Tailhook may occur, where women are chained to urinals by their fellow cadets, where cheaters attend the elite academies, and where scandal and dishonor scar the reputation that we honor on that day? Perhaps the reason so many Americans care about the 11th of November so little is that the current state of the military gives us little hope for future Veterans' Days. Honor must again become a concept which is not bandied about lightly.

For me, however, Veteran's Day should be marked by one thing in particular: a prayer that no more people will die in senseless wars, no more names will be placed on any memorials, and the reason to hold a Veterans' Day will fade in the consciousness of succeeding generations.

Clinton's lackluster agenda promises little progress

By JOE PATTERSON

Much has been made of David Brinkley's election night comments. People were shocked. Not only was a naughty word used, but a network reporter actually spoke honestly about the implications of the election.

"We all look forward with great pleasure to four years of wonderful, inspiring speeches, full of wit, poetry, love and affection -- plus more [expletive] nonsense."

Peter Jennings was startled: "You can't say that on the air, Mr. Brinkley." It's still unclear whether Jennings was speaking about the profanity or the criticism of Mr. Clinton.

The venerable Brinkley wasn't done, saying that Clinton didn't have a "creative bone in his body." Thus, Clinton is "a bore, and will always be a bore." He apologized later, but his observations still hold.

Has Clinton done anything that will create a positive legacy, or was he merely following the lead of a Republican congress? He tried to be creative with health care, but the poor man's creativity was stymied by a Democratic congress that had just enough common sense to reject his proposals. The 1994 elections sent him into retreat and he emerged as a thinly-disguised Republican. Even through the elections, he never defined the issues himself, content to coast into a second term with no clear agenda.

So what will a second term hold?

He certainly isn't riding a wage of popularity that would have allowed him to enact the dramatic changes this country needs. After four years, the electorate refused to give him a mandate. Since this was the lowest voter turnout in over 70 years, it's tough to believe that America feels particularly energetic about the President. In fact, considering the number of voters who stayed home, Mr. Clinton garnered the votes of less than a quarter of the registered voters. Obviously, that hardly serves as a springboard for dramatic legislation.

The Patterson Perspective

Most likely, Clinton will be forced to tackle more issues than his vague concept of education reform. Medicare, for example, looms on the horizon. After lambasting Bob Dole for trying to reign in spending with the troubled program, he will now have to concede some basic facts concerning its impending bankruptcy. Further, his promises concerning a balanced budget won't be realized if he continues to avoid the unpopular reductions in other areas of federal spending. Maybe Mr. Clinton will be able to step to the plate and deliver, but as Mr. Brinkley rightfully pointed out, Clinton's track record offers little hope.

Nevertheless, there is more to contend with than just his own shortcomings. Trent Lott, Dole's replacement as the Senate Majority Leader, appears to be less compromising than his predecessor. Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel investigating a few of Mr. Clinton's misdeeds, has been steadily building a case against the commander-in-chief. And finally, the economy is ripe for a correction downward.

In his victory speech, Mr. Clinton declared, "It's a great day for America," adding that his career has been a "remarkable journey, not free of failure, but full of adventure and wonder and grace." Four years from now, we'll know whether Nov. 5 was *indeed a great day, but we certainly* don't need to wait four years to realize his first term was far from graceful.

I hope for the best, but it seems as though Mr. Brinkley hit the nail on the head. We've committed ourselves four years of political stagnation.

Gambling steals true spirit of sports

By MARC ANGELACCIO

Gambling seems to be in our nature. It is our way to outsmart and outmaneuver the Fates. Or at least cash in on them. Who wouldn't like to predict the outcome of certain events? Who doesn't feel the power of clairvoyance when we predict something that happens? Who doesn't like to hear the clicking of coins in the bucket of a machine or the feel of fresh greenbacks in the palm of our hands after winning?

Undoubtedly, gambling has become part of our culture, if not part of our nature. Who's to say how long gambling has existed? I'm sure someone had Julius Caesar on his or her dead-pool. I'm sure there was wagering on whether Odysseus would make it back to Ithaca. The odds were definitely against him, at least 20-1, but who doesn't like an underdog? He definitely paid a lot upon his return. Whoever put a dollar (it was probably closer to a sheep or a loaf of bread) on him, made a fortune.

This ability to defy the odds and make a fortune is part of the lure of gambling and betting. It is also what makes betting and gambling so evil.

Just last week, in the arena of American culture called sports, Evander Holyfield overcame 8-1 odds and defeated heavyweight champion Mike Tyson. Anyone who was able to foresee the upset and place, oh, let's say, $100 on Holyfield, automatically collected $800 when the final bell rang. Imagine $1,000 or $10,000. Now that's a pretty nice profit.

Also last week, 13 players from Boston College's football team were suspended indefinitely for allegedly betting on sports, which is an NCAA violation. Two of the 13 may have bet against their own team, which may place them in jail for a good amount of time. All of these players may find themselves without scholarships and out of school in a few weeks.

On the Marc

So goes the world of gambling.

Sports betting is different than any type of gambling because it can directly affect the event that is being bet on. The odds are not set from a machine, a playing table or a deck of cards. It's not as if one is pulling a lever, watching a ball spin around a wheel, dice being thrown, or asking for another card from the deck. In all of these cases, you're betting on or against the chance of something occurring. The same can be said with sports gambling, but instead you're betting on people to do, or not do, something. When people are added as a variable, things always get messy.

Betting on people ruins the integrity of the event or sport being bet on. In today's world, where the way to control a person is often through money, athletes can often be bought. The people who have a direct effect on the outcome of an event or game can be bought into doing something that would sway the outcome in a certain direction, making the person who bought them even richer.

History shows how this can happen. The infamous Black Sox of 1919 threw the World Series—the spectacle of American sports. Pete Rose bet on his team. Boxing, probably the most lucrative sport for gamblers as well as the most scandalous, has enough examples to make this column 2,000 words (God forbid).

Thank heavens sports leagues have punished those who have struck blows to the integrity of their respective games. The Black Sox were banned from baseball forever. Pete Rose is banned from the Hall of Fame. Boston College's football program and the integrity of the athletic department is now under suspicion.

It's a shame that sports betting everywhere isn't given the same punishment. Even though it's illegal in every state but one, Nevada, it still occurs openly. Just look around campus, where sports betting is as prevalent as anywhere else. There isn't a weekend that goes by where certain students don't watch headline news, not for the news but for the sports ticker at the bottom of the screen, to see if their team is covering the spread. Sports betting has almost reached epidemic proportions in this country. The players from Boston College will vouch for that.

Because it places in question the integrity of what is being bet on, which is supposed to be played in its "purest" form 100 percent of the time, sports betting should be illegal everywhere, and it should be strictly enforced everywhere. This is the only way to ensure that integrity. It's also the only way to cure the epidemic.

There isn't a true sports fan around who doesn't want to see sports played as they're supposed to be played. Every time I watch a football game, I don't want to have to question whether the running back fumbled the football on the other team's 5-yard line because the ball slipped, or because he had a paycheck riding against his team. As far as sports fans are concerned, that question shouldn't even enter the mind.

Discrimination Info Desired

Haverford Township is asking for any data Villanova may have on students who may have encountered discriminatory housing practices on real estate in Haverford. Kathy Byrnes, Assistant Dean of Students, would like to collect any data that students may have on this issue.

It is important to distinguish between unfair housing, i.e., unlawful discrimination, and the zoning ordinances that many students feel discriminate against them by requiring special registration of "student homes." Those ordinances, though very controversial among the student population, have repeatedly been upheld in Pennsylvania by state and federal court as not unlawfully discriminating against students.

There are two areas that students can be helpful in improving their off-campus experience in Haverford Township. First, any male students who have ever been told that the landlord will not rent to them because they are males when trying to rent in Haverford Township should contact Ms. Byrnes. At this point, she is interested in the student's name and telephone number, the landlord, and the rental address. Second, any students that have experienced discriminatory treatment by their landlords or the Township, that does not fall within the scope of the zoning ordinances, should contact Ms. Brynes. She can be reached at 519-4200.

Advisement concerns provoke suggestions

Professor calls for dramatic reforms

To the Editor:

I gather that part of the common good of the University community is to make sure students have access to advisors who care deeply about the quality of their intellectual life and about helping them to discover their vocation.

The University ought to create a system of incentives to encourage professors who want to devote their time to meeting this aspect of the common good. Some suggestions could include:

1) Choose a group of professors with a deserved reputation for good advising. This could be determined through surveys of students and department chairs.

2) Train these professors comprehensively. This training should include not only information on undergraduate academic requirements, but also on such things as requirements for graduate study, where to go for information on how to apply to law school, what resources the community has available for dealing with stress, and career counseling, etc.

3) Give these professors a reasonable course reduction so they can pursue these activities well, and need not feel burdened by a crush of students several weeks a semester.

4) Give the best advisors some institutional recognition, including, but not limited to, pay raises.

The problem with the current system is that there are instituional disincentives to good advising. A professor with a reputation for caring about students becomes overwhelmed several weeks a semester, and so the incentive is to ignore them. Currently, the common good is provided for in this respect by those who advise well because they are charitable and so are willing to engage in a sacrifice of institutional prestige and publications for the sake of the students. The common good clearly requires individual sacrifice, but it also requires that institutions create a structure of incentives and disincentives that work to foster the common good rather than threaten it. The advising question is also bound up with the question of vocation.

The University community as a whole needs to take a more active approach to the most fundamental question students face in their years here: What am I to do with my life? This is not merely a career problem; it is an existential one. That is, before I can intelligently answer the question "What job should I take?" I need to answer the logically prior question, "Who am I?" The University ought to have a vocations week, in which representatives from various ways of life come to campus and seek to inform students about their options. That should include not merely lawyers, accountants and the like, but also religious orders, people who struggle to raise families, teachers, and other such countercultural folk. It ought to disturb us deeply that the only people currently coming to recruit on campus are moneychangers. What message does this send our young adults trying to figure out how they ought to live?

Thomas W. Smith
Political Science

Students should advise themselves

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to your editorial "Advisement process needs major tune-up." Perhaps you should have written an editorial entitled "Villanova students need to wake up." While the advisement process may have certain flaws, you seem to have ignored the simple fact that the student is the one who is primarily responsible for his or her future, not the advisor.

Your first point is that the quality of the advisors themselves leaves much to be desired. You write, "advisors are unaware of a college's graduation requirements and are unconcerned with a student's personal needs." While this statement may be all too true in some cases, it is an insult to make such a generalization about all advisors. I am quite sure that most advisors do know what they are talking about and do care about the students they advise. They wouldn't take the job if they didn't. Unfortunately, there are exceptions to this rule. A student who receives one of these "exceptions" as an advisor, however, is not condemned to certain failure. As far as I know, there is no rule binding a student to an advisor.

Surely, a student could switch to a more acceptable advisor if the situation warranted it. My point is this, most advisors do care and if a student has one who does not, the situation can be remedied with little work.

Second, you point out the tragic stories of seniors who do not have the proper requirements to graduate. While I sympathize with them, it is their own fault. Every college within the University publishes a guide which explicitly states the requirements for each and every degree. Ten minutes of reading could have saved these seniors another semester or year of college. If a student cares enough about his or her education, he or she can easily find out which courses are needed for a degree.

Finally, you write that the advising system should "maximize [students'] opportunities and minimize [students'] stress." While this is an admirable goal, it is not reality. College is a place where young men and women learn to be adults. They learn to live on their own, think on their own, and make their own decisions. They take the responsibility for their own lives. If this is to be accomplished, advisors cannot be responsible to lead students by the hand to success and satisfaction in their college careers. This responsibility lies with the student.

With a little preparation, a little research, and a little care, a student can make full use of the advising system. If one goes to a meeting with an advisor armed with the college's requirements, proposed courses, and thoughtful questions, the student will receive good advice. Conversely, if a student goes to a meeting expecting the advisor to lay out the student's future before him or her, the student will not benefit nearly as much from the system. Villanova students need to take some responsibility for their futures and receive advice from advisors, not parenting. Wake up, Mr. Editor.

Ed Lynch
Class of 2000

Professor urges students to take control

To the Editor:

Make no mistake about it, VU is a business; it is a peculiar one in that the profits are plowed back into the enterprise so that it is a nonprofit business. You, the students, are the customers, which gives you certain rights and obligations. Let me make an analogy (parable?) here: A father buys Christmas gifts for the family, a bike for his son, an exercise center for his daughter and some Ikea furniture for his wife, all of which come unassembled. The cost is $1000. He then spends 20 hours putting the presents together. Figuring his time is worth $75 an hour, he realizes he has put 60 percent of the total worth into the gifts, but that's okay since that is the obligation he, the customer, assumed when he made the purchases. I'm not being too vague here, am I?

Putting the above in terms of advisement, let's look at you, the customer; you are "of age," registered for the draft and to vote, etcetera. You are seminally capable of managing your life and your education. Therefore take control of your life and your education; do not allow others to act as your foster parents who map out your life and your education. At some stages you will fail gloriously on your own but, in the end, your life and your education will be the better for it.

The heart of advisement should be "advise and consent." To that end, you should have the right, at any registration period, to pick any academic of your choice who will advise you. He signatures the course schedule of your consent and you take it from there. If you can establish these rights, the rest is easy.

It should be fairly easy to map out your core courses especially if you do not know your degree choice and will not declare a major for two years. If there are 63 credits of core, why not take four core courses per term for four terms such that you will have 75 percent of the core done at the time you will be declaring a major? Even if you know your degree choice why not take three core courses for the first seven terms and thereby have done with it by the middle of your junior year?

I am surprised that some enterprising undergraduate has not written a general proposal for the core courses of study in the Arts College, followed by several specific routes, in block form as regards the named courses, to accomplish the core expeditiously. Further, individual undergraduates in each of the majors should consider following that same format to create several majors' routes to graduation, complete with core and majors' required courses. You should be able to publish it "in house" and sell it, through the bookstore, to entering students, at a tidy profit of $1000 a year if you keep it continuously updated. Maybe *The Villanovan* staff will want to take on this enterprise and create for themselves a "cottage industry." In any case good luck in the eternal quest for customer satisfaction.

John Cawley
Chemistry Department

True importance of voting shines through election day obstacles

To the Editor:

I write this article to empathize with the frustration of John Chaimanis, and all the Villanova students who were denied the right to vote last week at the polls. I also am sharing the following experience with the hope that other students will empower themselves to respectfully question authority and stand up for their rights.

On Nov. 5, around 3 p.m., my friend drove me to Radnor High School so I could exercise my right to vote. This was to be my first time voting, and the anxious excitement within me was quickly extinguished when the election board member uttered the words "you are not registered to vote, go talk to the man at the end of table if you have any questions." I went to the end of the table and told a man (I'll call him Robert) my situation. He told me that there had been a mix-up with the transfer of the list of registered voters from Villanova, and a few other students had already come to him with the same concern. Robert told me that there was another polling station at Rosemont Plaza, and if I went there, I would definitely be able to vote. My heart sunk when, driving all around the Plaza, there was no polling table of any sort. I went into Border's Books and inquired at the information desk if there was a polling station somewhere within the area of Rosemont Plaza. The woman said that there was not, and that just recently some other students came by asking the same question.

Frustrated with the situation, I went back to campus because I had a 4 p.m. meeting to attend. After the meeting I was offered a ride back to the polls by another person who going to vote. Back at Radnor High School I spoke with Robert, and informed him that there was not a polling station at Rosemont Plaza. He apologized, saying that he had been mistaken. While I was gone he had had students, with the same problem as myself, fill out change of address forms and then vote. Before my return he had spoken with his 'higher-ups,' and they told him to stop that procedure because it was not legitimate.

Robert went on to say, "Well, I'm sorry, but you're out of luck this time, son. Perhaps things will work for you when you vote again in four years." I told him that I wanted to vote, and stated that it was my right as a citizen of the United States. He said there was no way I could vote, period. I requested to speak with his 'higher-ups,' and he agreed to call them. The first person I spoke with asked me my name and date of birth. After checking the computer she informed me that I was not registered, and therefore could not vote. I told her that I was indeed registered, and desired nothing more than to exercise my right to vote. She put me on hold and a few minutes later I spoke with her 'higher-up.' This person also asked for my name and date of birth. She checked the computer and relayed the same information as the other person: I was not registered and, therefore, could not vote. Again, I stressed that I was registered. At this point she asked me if I had my voter registration card with me. I replied that I did not. She thus said that the only way I could vote would be to go to the courthouse in Media, Pa., and appear before a judge to plead my case. I asked her for directions to the courthouse. She responded by saying that she did not have that information, and impatiently asked if I wanted anything else. When I said no, she abruptly hung up the telephone.

My friend who had given me a ride was done voting by this time, and had to get back to campus for another meeting, so we set off into the night. It was now 6 p.m. My frustration turned into momentary despair when, searching my room over, I could not find my voter registration card. At this point I was exhausted and thought "well I guess I've tried hard enough," but I pushed this thought quickly aside. How could I be complacent with not reaching my goal of voting when today, November 1996, people around the world are being killed in the struggle to win the very right to vote? I came to the conclusion that I would call the police and ask them for a ride to Media. Crazy, you think? Change does not come without challenging the boundaries of our comfort level. Public Safety said that they could not give me a ride that far, but helped me by giving me the number for the Radnor Police. The Radnor Police Officer I spoke with said that a ride would not be possible, because it crossed four or five jurisdictions.

He too helped me by giving me the number for the Women's League of Voters. I placed the call, but it was busy for about 15 minutes. On my final attempt I was able to get through. After explaining my situation to the person on the telephone. I was told that a ride would be provided. At 7:15 p.m. I was picked up and given a ride to the courthouse in Media. We arrived at 7:35 p.m., and when I told the desk attendant that I needed a judge to hear my case, everyone behind the counter turned and stared. A retired district attorney listened to my case, left the room for a few minutes, and returned saying that my case would be heard. At 7:56 p.m. I swore under oath that I had registered to vote. The judge ordered that I be given the right to vote. With four minutes remaining before the polls closed, I was informed that I would have to return to Radnor High School to vote. After getting the court order signed and certified by the judge, we set off for Radnor High School. We arrived there at 8:40 p.m. I presented the court order and asked for a ballot to vote, but was subsequently told that none were left. However, because I had a court order I would be allowed to vote. Robert handed me a scratch piece of paper to vote on, and told me that voting for the local elections was unnecessary. I told Robert that I would vote on the court order, and that I wanted to and would in fact vote for the local delegates. After voting, Robert and a witness signed the document. I asked for a photocopy of the document and was told that the photocopy machines were locked for the night. At this point, Robert pulled me aside and said, "Well, you have two options. You can keep the court order for posterity and hang it up on your wall, and your one vote won't count. Or, if you want, you can hand in the court order and your one vote will count. It's up to you." I told him to make sure that my vote was counted.

I share this experience with the hope that you will empower yourself to stand up to opposition that you will meet in your life, and not turn away in despair when someone says "no" or "you can't do that." One of the reasons that many countries around the world today have an elevated voter turn out is because the memories of the struggle for very right to vote are recent, and still flow passionately through the veins of the individual. In the United States of America we too have a rich history of struggle for independence. Unfortunately, for some individuals today the memory is nothing more than that.. Their veins are no longer turgid with the passion for change. In others the struggle continues. In the Constitution of the United States of America it is written that "all men are created equal. . ." Even today, after much struggle in U.S. history, this guarantee of equality among all people is not respected. It was not until the year 1920, with the passing of the 19th Amendment, that it became a law that the right of citizens to vote "shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." The 19th Amendment did not come about through complacency. It came about through the determined work of many women, such as Susan B. Anthony, who challenged not only the constitutionality of the law denying the women the right to vote, but also the comfort level of men and women alike in society. In March 1965, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. led a march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala. That march, and many like it, were met with bitter and violent opposition. Because of this march and the encompassing struggle of African-Americans for equality President Lyndon B. Johnson, immediately after the march, sent a voting rights bill to Congress, which was quickly passed. We must remember change will not come until each individual is empowered to test, daily, the boundaries of his or her comfort level in the world, and the comfort level of those who oppress in our society.

Jeremy Kampp
Class of 1997

Alumnus encourages seniors to volunteer after graduation from 'Nova

To the Editor:

As a proud graduate of the Class of 1996, I am writing to any senior Villanova student interested in volunteer service after graduation. I am doing this because I like to encourage anyone interested in using their blessing of a Villanova education to serve others to look into the Inner-City Teaching Corps, a volunteer teaching organization of which I am now proudly a member of. On this Tuesday, Nov. 19, I.C.T.C. will be on campus to recruit people like you: the bright, the courageous, the dedicated. There is an informational session in the Bryn Mawr Room of the Connelly Center at 8 p.m.

Inner City Teaching Corp is a volunteer teaching organization that serves in underprivileged Catholic elementary schools in the inner city of Chicago. The volunteer makes a two year commitment to teach in a school either on the south or west side, and lives in a faith-based community with his or her fellow teaching volunteers.

As a volunteer corps member, for example, I teach eighth grade and coach basketball on the far South Side at Our Lady of the Gardens School, the only Catholic school actually set in a housing project. The community I serve is 100 percent African American and, on the whole, extremely impoverished. Each day brings its unique challenges, and there are many days I wonder what I am doing here. But in just the few months that I've been working what these children, I have come to understand in a very discernable way many of the lessons of the Villanova Experience. Indeed, Veritas, Unitas, and Caritas can change the world, or at least the outlook of one or two 13-year-old boys or girls. But, truly, it is I who am often the recipient of my service. The lessons that the children and the entire community have taught me are ones I could have never picked up in a sociology or theology course. For me, the south side of Chicago has become one of the most enriching classrooms I've ever entered.

In addition to teaching at O.L.G., I also live in a former convent with nine other volunteers who teach all throughout the south side. They are all recent graduates like myself and offer quite a diverse perspective, coming from such schools as the University of Virginia, Fordham, Bowdin, Notre Dame, Boston College and Harvard.

In addition, fellow Villanova classmate, Laura Clark, lives in my community as well. In fact, the Villanova presence in this program is truly strong. In addition to Laura and myself, Liz Russo '95 is a second year member. In fact, the executive director of the program, Greg Mooney, is a graduate of the class of '93. The entire program, however, would like nothing more than to add a few more proud Wildcats.

I offer the above information in hopes that any Villanovan interested in volunteer service will take a good look at the Inner-City Teaching Corps. Just one year ago I was in your shoes, unsure of what to do with my four years of growth at the most wonderful place on Earth. But now I see the gifts of my Villanova experience being put into action. And although I miss Villanova very much, I now see what it was all for.

Matthew J. Couture
Class of 1996

Effectiveness of Student Government questioned

To the Editor:

Recently a number of form letters were sent out to "cabinet members" of the Student Government Association. Basically the letter called for the immediate resignation of these members. The reason for the call for resignations was a lack of "fulfill[ing] the duties for which you volunteered." I was one of the people to receive this letter. The amazing part of the whole thing was that this was the first time that I had heard from the SGA since the interview for my position. There was no call last semester either to inform me of my acceptance to the position, or not. The lack of response was taken as a rejection. The arrival of this letter n my mailbox came as a complete surprise. One friend likened it to sending a resume to a company then six months later getting a pink slip from this company in the mail. Not once did I receive a call from any member for the SGA inquiring about my attendance of SGA meetings prior to the letter, if you can consider the letter an inquiry. Although I never received a call, I thought one would be in order from me to our president and vice president in regards to this matter. I left my number, but they have to get back to me (*again*).

The reason why this outrages me so much is not because I am not part of the SGA, but because now I do not *want* to be part of SGA. An organization who constantly complains about an ineffective university should perhaps take a look at themselves. As far as the "organization" being "active, visible, and vocal," I wonder: If tiey are unable to contact cabinet members before asking for a resignation, how effective are they? Perhaps the first step for students should be to inspect its voice. The student body should concern itself with the ineffectiveness of its voice in University matters, namely the SGA, before casting stones at different departments and services at Villanova. Perhaps it is not these University bodies that are not listening, but rather an SGA which is not relating these concerns to the respective problem areas.

Tim Ryan
Class of 1998

Library reveals results of student survey

To the Editor:

If you were one of the 490 students to fill out the library survey last spring, we wish to thank you for taking the time to do it.

And now we want to share with you and all the Villanova community what we learned from it and what we plan to do.

The tabulated results and the written comments indicate that most of you are satisfied with library services and find the staff helpful and responsive. You are concerned that the book and periodical collection be more current and comprehensive. Over 40 percent felt that your high school experience had not prepared you to use the resources of Falvey Library. Fifty nine percent indicated that you had not been well informed about the various electronic resources in the library. The need for instruction was indicated by 59.5 percent, but there was no one method overwhelmingly chosen to provide instruction.

Those of you who use the library infrequently—two or three times a month or less, said that your teachers do not typically assign projects which require library research or resources.

More than 85 percent of you indicated no difficulty in finding your way around the library. However, in the written comments many wished for additional space conducive to individual and group study along with a better-designed layout with more up-to-date furniture. The exit surveys showed that there was confusion about the purpose of the various terminals.

And of course, the top complaint was the lack of temperature control in the building. The temperature of Falvey is not under the control of the library. The staff suffers along with you under the extreme temperatures. Facilities management has stated that, until a major overhaul of the HVAC is done, there will be no substantial improvement.

Efforts will be made to address the other concerns in the coming year. An approval plan to speed up the acquisition of new books and access to many more electronic journals will enhance the book and periodical collection. More staff members are scheduled to help you with periodical and microform retrieval. The reference department is increasing the number of instruction sessions.

Signage and the layout of the first floor will be evaluated in the coming year. And most importantly, by Fall 1997, there should be a new on-line system in place which should simplify electronic searching of library resources.

Jacqueline Mirabile
Chair, Falvey VQI

Students challenge University's Pepsi contract

To the Editor:

On Oct. 23, concerned students gathered in the commuter lounge for a Pepsi boycott meeting. I was expecting the turnout to be low, but to my amazement, there were 19 students in attendance. They were all actively concerned with eliminating Pepsi from our campus. Some may wonder why anyone would want to do this. After all, it is the main supplier of drinks for the University, and it doesn't taste all that bad. It is also a major sponsor of the basketball team. Well, the reason that these 19 students gathered to boycott Pepsi is a little South East Asian country called Myanmar.

Myanmar is the name the government uses, but its citizens call it Burma. Burma was the name of the country before the evil military regime, State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), took over. The SLORC is a large violator of human rights and is the world's largest producer of heroin. Sixty percent of the heroin sold in the United States is imported from Burma. This evil regime enslaves thousands of Burmese citizens, including children. They are forced to work as army porters and minesweepers--all for the endless goal of attracting tourists and their money to Burma. The unfortunate souls who speak out against the regime are placed in prisons ,and some are put in dog cells, where they receive the bare minimum of food required to live. Democratic movements have been *violently put down in the past. In 1990,* an election was held in which, Mrs. Aung San Suu Kyi received 82 percent of the vote while she was under house arrest. The generals of the SLORC never turned over power to her, and her supporters were arrested, tortured, and executed.

It is clear that many disturbing things are happening in Burma, but how is Pepsi linked? PepsiCo is the largest American investor in Burma today. Through its investments, the SLORC has been able to greatly strengthen its regime, as it receives a portion of the money from taxes and tariffs. While many of PepsiCo's competitors have pulled out of Burma, including Coca Cola and Starbucks, PepsiCo has maintained its investments. By drinking Pepsi, students are indirectly supporting the evil regime, and making it harder to attain a free Burma. A message needs to be sent that people are not going to stand for these kinds of immoral business practices.

The question still remains. Why should students care? The situation in Burma is bigger than we are. Students have many concerns, all of which are probably very important. The problem in Burma goes beyond these "everyday" concerns, and asks the student to care for other people. These Burmese citizens are being tortured every day in ways that we cannot even imagine. I know this probably sounds *like one of those Sally Struthers* commercials, but by putting in just a fraction of your time, a tremendous step toward a free Burma can be reached. There have been petitions for removing Pepsi from campus in front of the Connelly Center. At a campus with over 6,000 students, only about 250 signatures have been collected thus far. Some people just walk by without even giving recognition to the petition. Others just simply refuse to sign it.

By taking a few seconds of your time and signing this petition, you can take an active role in furthering the cause of human rights in the world. The SLORC is causing suffering to millions of people every day. I understand that Pepsi may have a good relationship with the University and that Pepsi is probably not inherently evil, but that still does not justify its actions. The basic human rights of people takes precedence over sponsorships and contracts.

Bill Lawrence
Class of 2000

Administration should put students first

To the Editor:

I am writing because I am extremely upset at the way matters are handled at Villanova University. I am a senior, and over the past four years, I have never felt so compelled to express my feelings publicly as I do today.

I am currently applying to law school. Anyone who has ever applied, or is presently applying, knows what a long, arduous, frustrating experience it is. Since law schools use a rolling admissions process, the earlier your application is received, the greater your chances are for gaining admission, and the earlier you are informed of a decision. Thus, during the first week of school, I requested recommendations from former professors, which were finished expediently. All my applications were mailed by early October. This was done so that all my application materials were received well before the Early Decision deadlines of Nov. 1, 1996. The only part of my application I did not have control over were Dean's Certification forms. These forms require the Dean to attest to my GPA, class rank and my good standing as a student at Villanova.

I brought these forms to the Dean of Liberal Arts Office on Sept. 15, 1996, complete with addressed, stamped envelopes. After I mailed my applications in mid-October, I phoned each school to make sure they had received the Dean's Certification forms. None of the five schools had received them. I went to Dr. Maloney's office and the secretaries told me that they did not know what I was talking about, and that they must have lost them. That meant that I would have to send away to each school for new forms, await them in the mail, and once again give them to the Dean's Office. With a little bit of luck, and probably a lot of foresight, I happened to have had multiple copies of them. The next day, I brought the new forms to the Dean's offfice, again complete with addressed, stamped envelopes. I was promised that they would be given priority. That was over two weeks ago.

I returned yesterday to find that they were not done yet, but they would "certainly be done tomorrow." I returned to the Liberal Arts Center on the promised day to find that they were still not complete. Surprise!

The secretaries told me, "Ya know, he's busy with pre-registration and everything." I guess I was just not informed that pre-registration lasted two months.

So, I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank the Dean's office for a job well done.

My applications will not be complete until late November, along with the other 7,000 expected applications for each school. It is comforting to know that all my hard work, effort and efficiency will never pay off.

It might even have been nice for Villanova to say they had a student that will be attending Harvard Law school. However, in my experience at this fine institution of academia, it seems that they are more interested in saying that they have a student who will be playing for the NBA.

Meredith Schaum
Class of 1997

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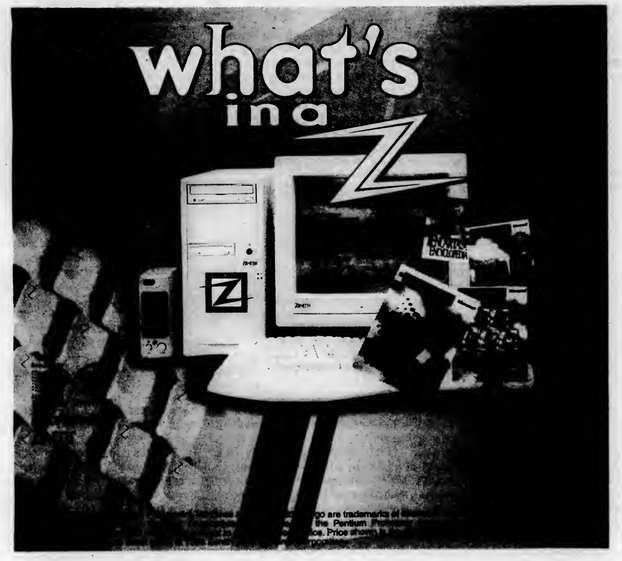

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Commissioning Mass in the Villanova Church at 2:00 pm.
Commissioning Ceremony in the Villanova Room,
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SATURDAY, MAY 17, 1997

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SUNDAY, MAY 18, 1997

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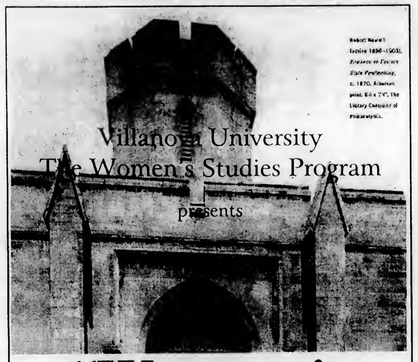

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Nov. 15

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Today is the last day to submit your sticker designs for WXVU's sticker design contest. They must be black and white designs that can be reduced cleanly to half-bumper sticker size. You can win fabulous cash and prizes! Questions? Call Ann at x 19517.

Nov. 16

Help for HEC Retreat

Help is needed for the Campus Ministry sponsored HEC Retreat coming up the weekend of Nov. 16-18. Students, as well as other members of the Villanova community are welcome to participate on the retreat. For further information drop by Campus Ministry, or call at 519-4080.

Professional Hypnotist

Here's a great upcoming event for everyone...professional hypnotist, Ronnie Romm, will be appearing on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Day Hop. The event is being sponsored by CAT, and admission is just $2! Be there!

Nov. 17

Attention Nurses and Lifeguards

Villanova Emergency Medical Service (VEMS) will sponsor a Healthcare Provider CPR course on Sunday, Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. This course will meet all of your requirements for schol or work. The course will cost $25 (payable on date of course)).

The course will flast approximately five hours. To register, stop by St. Clare House (Public Safety) Monday - Friday 8 - 4 p.m. The course will be limited to 25 participants.

Nov. 18

Run for Hunger

The Annual Run for Hunger to raise funds for Oxfam America, a direct service organization working on behalf of the poor and hungry in the world, will take place on Monday, Nov. 18 at 3:30 p.m. in front of Falvey Library. If you are interested in participating or have any questions please call Giulia at x15283.

Nov. 19

Gay/Lesbian Dialogue

A gay, lesbian and bisexual support group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. on the Villanova campus. For more information, call Fr. Shawn Tracy at 519-4081. All calls will be held in confidence.

Inner City Teaching

Inner City Teaching Corps will be holding an informational meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Bryn Mawr Room of Connelly Center. Come meet Greg Mooney, VU'93 who will represent ICTC, a two year volunteer service program of oustanding college graduates who energize inner-city parochial schools in Chicago as classroom teachers and leaders in extracurricular activites. Teaching experience or an education degree are not required.

Poster Contest

To help rid our campus of the excessive scattering of cigarette butts, Villanova University's Department of Health and Safety is sponsoring a poster contest. Each poster entered should depict the Villanova Wildcat using cigarette butts from University grounds. Entries are to be submitted to Stone Hall on or before Nov. 19 at 4 p.m. The winner will be announced on Nov. 21, the day of the Great American Smokeout, and will be awarded with a $50 gift certificate for the bookstore.

Exam Prep

Get better grades! Dr. Reilly will offer an Exam Prep and Test Taking Workshop this Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 3 - 3:50 p.m. in the Counseling Center, Room 106, Corr Hall. The workshop is free and no sign up is necessary.

Nov. 20

HIV Testing

The Villanova University AIDS Task Force is sponsoring a free, anonyomous HIV testing on Wednesday, Nov. 20. The Delaware County AIDS Network will be at the Health Center from 10 a.m. - 2:40 p.m. If interested please call x94070 to make an appointment.

Hunger Awareness Lecture

The president of Oxfam America, Ray Offenheiser, will be speakjng at Villanova in conjunction with the annual Hunger Awareness Week. This will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. in Room 300 of the St. Augstine Liberal Arts Center.

Assault Awareness

Villanova University Public Safety would like to invite students, staff and faculty to a presentation of "When no means no." The presentation will be held at the Connelly Center Cinema on Wednesday, Nov. 20 from 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. This program is co-sponsored by the Athletic Department, Drug and Alcohol Center, Greek Affairs and Women's Studies. For more infomation please call Investigator Joanna Aversa at 519-6670.

Women's Studies Lecture

The Women's Studies Department will present: "Women in U.S. Prisons: Profiles and Issues" by Sr. Susan VanBaalen, O.P., Chief Chaplain for U.S. Prisons on Wednesday, Nov. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in Bartley 110.

Nursing Lecture

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Financial Planning and Budgeting for Graduate Students" by Christina hack, CPA and Susan Collins, CPA from Coopers and Lybrand on Nov. 20 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

Nov. 21

Fast Day

Villanova's Annual Fast Day will take place on Thursday, Nov. 21 during lunch at all dining halls. Funds raised from giving up your lunch will be donated to organizations working for the poor and hungry in the world. Sign-ups to give up your lunch will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 19 during lunch in all dining halls. Thanks for your support!

Homelessness Lecture

Ronald Casanova, an Organizer of the Union of the Homeless will speak on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Bartley 110. For more information call Eileen at x13681.

Bereavement Group

A bereavement group will begin meeting on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 4:30 p.m. in St. Rita's Hall Room 114 for students who have experienced the deat of a parent of sibling in the last year to year and a half.

Nursing Lecture

The Graduate Nurse Network will sponsor the lecture "Strategies for Promoting Self-Confidence" by Dr. Linda Copel on Nov. 21 from 6:45 - 7:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Library. For more information call (610) 519-7748.

Nov. 23

ECE Day

The ECE Advisory Committee cordially invites you to the 10th annual Electrical and Computer Engineering Day on Saturday, Nov. 23. Registration starts at 9 a.m. and the main program begins at 9:30 a.m. with a break for lunch at 12:5 p.m. This event focuses on technologies in our industry and on the contributions of Villanova University Electrical Engineering alumni to those technologies. Additionally, this event focuses on reuniting alumni and introducing future graduates to a variety of topics in industry. If you plan to attend or would like additional information, please call Helen Cook at (610) 519-4970.

Nov. 24

Retreat for Women

There will be a retreat for women on Sunday, Nov. 24. This one day retreat will bring women together to share and discuss the uniqueness of being both women and Christian, and how that affects prayer, relationships and identity. Call 519-4080 for more info.

Retreat for Men

There will be a one day retreat for men on Sunday, Nov. 24. This day long retreat will consider the spirituality of being male. It will look at why it is not "cool" in society for men to share feelings or to be spiritual, and it will reflect on the wisdom of Jesus in how He lived His life. Contact John Lozano or Father Ed Hastings in Campus Ministry for more info.

Nov. 25

Balloon Day Volunteers

Wanted: Balloon Day chairpeople! Come to an informational meeting on Monday, Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. in the West Lounge to find out how you can get involved.

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Help With Smokeout

Enthusiastic students wanted to assist with Great American Smokeout Day Program on Nov. 21 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. $5.00/hr., must be available for minimum of four hours each. Please contact Arnelia Hollinger at 519-7838, Environmental Health and Safety Department. Leave name, phone number and campus address on voice mail.

Amnesty International

Amnesty International is a worldwide human rights organization with a chapter here at Villanova. Meetings are every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice (basement of Sullivan Hall). If you are interested in joining or have any questions please call Giulia at x15283.

Work in Germany

Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as English Assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions by contacting Dr. Rodger Van Allen of the theology and religious studies department at 519-4766. Some knowledge of German is required of the assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with the students. Applications must be completed by Dec. 15. For more info. Call 519-4766.

SNAP Flip Top Drive

The Student Nurses Association of PA at Villanova (SNAP) requests help from the entire Villanova community. Alumimum flip top soda pop tabs have significant value in the recycling industry and can provide some income for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. Save ALUMINUM FLIP TOP TABS to help the children at the Ronald McDonald House. Please call SNAP at 519-7317 and a SNAP member will pick them up. The drive will be until Monday, Nov. 25. Thank you.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on a team known.

Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form' in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

HEC Retreat

Students, faculty, staff and neighbors are welcomed and needed to work on the upcoming HEC retreat (Handicapped Encounter Christ) sponsored by Campus Ministry.

HEC is an unique and exciting experience which brings together physically disabled and non-disabled persons to share each others' lives in an atmosphere of Christian community. The retreat will take place on the weekend of Nov. 16 - 18 ending around 2 p.m. on Sunday. For further information, drop by Campus Ministry during the day or call 519-4080.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas. There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and *filing out a registration form. The cost* of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 96000, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

F E A T U R E S

Great American Smokeout prepares to preoccupy smokers

By MARY ROCCO
Staff Reporter

On Nov. 21 about 2,000 Villanova students are expected to stop smoking for the day. They will be participating in what is known nationally as the Great American Smokeout. This national event takes place annually on every third Thursday in November. This year happens to be its 20th anniversary and with the help of the Environmental Health and Safety Team, along with student coordinators Gabrielle McCann, Liam McKeown and Jamie Seaberry, and graduate student Vijay Ramanathan, the University hopes to make this celebration a spectacular event.

The kickoff party begins at 11 a.m. in the Villanova Room with the cutting of a cake."We thought it would be a good idea to celebrate in a grand way for the 20th anniversary," said Ramanathan. "Many fun events and games have been planned to help students keep their minds off smoking. The point of the day is to provide a fun alternative to smoking," said McKeown.

Part of the day's festivities includes a Bally Total Fitness demonstration. This will take place in the Villanova Room where students can participate such things as weight-lifting and low-impact aerobics. The purpose of this demonstration is to provide an alternative to smoking for those students that feel if they quit that they will gain weight. Other talks scheduled throughout the day include demonstrations by an acupuncturist and a herbalist. Finally, there will also be a photo opportunity with the Eagles Cheerleaders from 12:30-1:30 p.m.

If this is not enough to convince you to stop smoking for the day there are also various games that will be set up outside the Cinema in the Connelly Center. They include running upstairs for endurance and blowing out a candle from a distance to test lung capacity. Apples, pretzels, T-shirts and caps are just a few of the prizes being awarded to participants. Upstairs in the Connelly Center there will be a Health Assessment Station. Smokers will be able to check out their blood pressure and lung capacities. People that sign a pledge card not to smoke for the day will receive a discount card that is good for many of the Mainline businesses.

FILE PHOTO

A student measures her lung strength at the Health Assessment Station

Also, Villanova Dining Services has offered a free soda with the purchase of a turkey sandwich in order to promote the idea of quitting cold turkey. There is also a poster contest to help clean up the campus. The best design of the Wildcat made out of discarded cigarette butts will win a $50 gift certificate to the bookstore.

The day is an opportunity for students to stop smoking for the day, but what about those students that want to quit for good. "Hopefully people will want to quit for real and this day will be able to provide them the means they need to set them in the right direction," said Gabrielle McCann. The drug and alcohol center is available to help students and guide them through their tough decision.

The Environmental Health and Safety Team is still looking for a few enthusiastic workers to help out with the Great American Smokeout. Anybody who would like more information on how they can help can contact Arnelia Hollinger at 519-7838.

'Nova student appears in local performance of "West Side Story"

By KATIE KLINE
Staff Reporter

Months of rehearsals and hours of memorization will be put to the test this evening for one Villanova student, as she dances her way to stardom on opening night in the Narbeth Community Theatre's production of "West Side Story."

Sophomore Marcia Barry was chosen from among 140 young adults who auditioned for "West Side Story" to contribute her dancing expertise throughout this musical production.

Acting is so much fun because you get to be someone you're not.

Barry had extensive training and experience in theater and dance. She began dancing at the age of 4 and has made numerous on-stage appearances over the years. She began her acting career while attending high school and went on to participate in numerous other play productions.

In addition, she was a member of the International Thespian Society and worked at theater camps for children where singing, dancing, and acting were the skills that were emphasized over the course of the week.

Currently, Barry is working towards a degree in elementary education and she hopes to be able to use her talent to help her in every aspect of life, especially in the classroom. "I love working with children and I want to teach and to entertain and to continue to do children workshops," Barry said.

Barry has learned to manage her time well over the years in order to keep up with her studies and to be able to concentrate on her first love, dancing. "West Side Story" has a cast of 36 singing and dancing young adults, a first rate musical director, a choreographer, stage directors, a 40-piece orchestra and more.

Barry will dance and sing in the chorus and appear in five scenes throughout the play. "It's a fun show," she said, "with lots of dancing and great choreography. Dancing in a chorus is challenging because you have to keep in character while concentrating on hitting the right notes and finding the right steps."

"Acting is so much fun because you get to be someone that you're not," she said. "It's like Halloween all of the time because not only do you get to put on a costume, but you get to try on different personalities as well.

Barry explained that there are many aspects that need to be considered when creating a character from mannerisms to verbal accents. "Everything you do while in character is crucial to making that scene and your character believable to your audience.

Barry commented that she felt the greatest feeling for any actor is knowing that your character has evoked a response from the audience. "A positive reaction from the audience is the best compliment in acting," she said.

Barry hopes to someday become involved in Villanova's theater productions. "I will always want to do dance and theater at any level," she said.

"I think that as an actor you have an insight into other people's personalities and you tend to question why they do the things that they do. These characteristics are helpful in everyday life and everything that we do."

All "West Side Story" performances will be in the auditorium at Bala Cynwyd Middle School, one mile west of City Line Avenue at 510 Bryn Mawr Ave.

Performances will take place on the weekends of Nov. 15, 16, 17, and Nov. 21, 22, and 23. For further information, call (610) 352-4823.

University Health Center attempts needed improvements

By RACHELE TRIANO
Staff Reporter

The negative connotations associated with the Health Center should come as no surprise to many students. It is the students that have given the Health Center this negative reputation.

The Health Center should have more hours. The Health Center should provide better service. The Health Center should be improved. Everyone on this campus has heard, if not said, such a statement. With the thought of improvements that could be made, I spoke with the medical director and residing physician of the Health Center, Dr. Denis A. Boyle.

Boyle is aware that the two central critiques of the Health Center are the facilities and the service. He and the staff of the Health Center are constantly looking for methods of improvement. Boyle himself admits that the facility is old and could use renovation.

Of the service, Boyle is confident of the quality of the services that are provided saying that under the circumstances of the facility, we do a great job and the nurses are excellent." One of the first issues that Boyle discussed was of the office hours that he holds in the Health Center.

As far as the complaint that there should be more hours, as well as hours later in the day, Boyle felt that this would be unnecessary to improve. He is available in the Health Center Mondays through Saturdays at eight in the morning.

We provide care that is given in a timely manner. We are always trying to improve the quality of those services and we're open to any suggestions.

For those people who would want later hours, he is also available at 12:30 p.m.Tuesdays and Thursdays. Boyle said that at one time there had been more hours available to students for consultation with a doctor.

At one time there were hours as late as 5 p.m. However, financial cutbacks, as well as a lack of student need for those hours, caused the evening hours to end. Boyle did state that if the need arose later hours could be implemented again.

There has also been the suggestion that the Health Center provide the women on the campus with a gynecologist. Since this has been a suggestion that was made before, Boyle has been in the process of trying to find a gynecologist that would service our campus.

The predicted time of when that might happen is still unknown. However, Boyle is hoping to improve this aspect of the Health Center so women will not have to be referred, but will have that service on campus. Boyle also discussed that fact that there is constant improvement within the pharmacy in the Health Center. The medication that is dispensed is frequently updated.

Another recent improvement with the Health Center was the implementation of a suggestion box. Due to student request, a suggestion box was placed in the infirmary for student suggestions as to how the Health Center can be improved.

Boyle is confident that improvement of services at the Health Center are not necessary. The Health Center provides nursing 24 hours a day, lab testing services, allergy injections and referrals to specialists.

Boyle said, "The Health Center offers excellent services for the students. We provide care that is given in a timely manner. We are always trying to improve the quality of those services and we're open to any suggestions."

Hunger Awareness Week nourishes the soul

By CATHERINE LANGE
Staff Reporter

In developing nations, one of every five people is hungry, equating to 841 million people. Those people need help, and luckily there is an organization that helps fight poverty and hunger.

OXFAM is an international organization which provides direct relief to hungry people all over the world. OXFAM is currently sponsoring their 23rd year of campaigning against poverty and hunger around the world. Villanova is proud to announce that they are once again raising money to help OXFAM accomplish their task.

This is the 24th year that the University will participate in National Hunger Awareness Week under the direction of Father Ray Jackson, O.S.A., of the peace and justice department. Villanova's Campus Ministry will sponsor National Hunger Awareness Week along with the peace and justice department.

Four students: Giulia Campanaro. Eric Yip, Tim Grady and Julie Walheim, comprised the executive committee responsible for Hunger Awareness Week this year. Along with student volunteers they have created a week full of events for everyone.

Beginning on Nov. 17 and running through Nov. 23, Villanova will sponsor a week full of events to benefit hunger awareness.

National Hunger Awareness week will kick off Nov. 17 during the 6 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. masses at Villanova's chapel. During Mass, a speaker will address the importance of national hunger awareness.

Events taking place during the week include a run for hunger, t-shirt and craft sales, letter writing, the sleep-a-thon, a hunger awareness concert, the Great American Smokeout Day and a 5K-run.

During Hunger Awareness Week, there will be a fast day on Thursday. Villanova will donate $3 for every lunch that is donated. Proceeds from all events during the week go directly to the hunger fund.

F E A T U R E S

How to bring a smile to everyone's face

By CARITA M. PORTER
Staff Reporter

It seems like the holiday season gets earlier and earlier every year. As soon as the jack-o-lanterns are taken down and the candy is put away, the winter holiday decorations are dragged down from the attic and hung up with great anticipation. True, it is only mid-November, but SGA is jumping on the "seasonal bandwagon" with Operation Smile's first annual poinsettia sale.

They would like to decorate your dorm, home or office in a traditional, festive style. A portion of the money collected will go to Operation Smile's Philadelphia chapter, an organization which performs reconstructive surgery on children with severe facial deformities.

With the new funds, the committee plans to host a holiday party on Dec. 7 for the children awaiting surgery in the Philadelphia area, complete with carols, dinner and a surprise visit from the big elf himself.

Operation Smile is a new chapter here on campus, hut has been in existence since 1982. The organization was founded by Dr. William P. McGee, and uses volunteer doctors and nurses from all over the world to perform plastic surgery on disfigured children.

Operation Smile has helped over 21,000 children in the United States and over 18,000 children internationally since 1982. The Villanova Chapter wants to continue this tradition of aid to children.

One of their goals is to raise enough money to bring a child over from a foreign country to the United States for surgery. The procedure is usually free, however the cost of a flight and living in the United States for several weeks while the child prepares and recuperates is extremely expensive.

Most times, when a child comes this country for surgery, they are termed a "WorldCare Patient," one who may need more serious surgery or a longer recuperation period.

Those who helped established the group, Elena Fazio, Megan Quick, Kristi McGee, Regina McGinley, Renee Kurtz and Carita Porter feel that having Villanova students witness the miracle of modern medicine on a World Care Patient will give everyone involved a feeling of accomplishment when they see the smile erupt from a child that may have never been able to do in the past.

Operation Smile has also recruited the Haveners and Spires to perform a holiday concert in Belle Aire Terrace on Dec. 5 at 8:30 p.m. The proceeds from the concert will go to the children of Operation Smile.

The concert will not only aid the children, but it aims to put a little bounce in your step and happy tune in your mind as you wind down your fall semester.

The group held its second general meeting this past week. It's not too late for new members to become involved. If you are interested in helping a child find his/her smile, visit the SGA office in Dougherty Hall.

The Villanovan's Top Ten

Straight from the offices of Wojahowitz and Fish, The Top Ten signs that you are trying to quit smoking

10. You keep trying to light those damn apples
9. You pin the acupuncturist to the wall
8. You knit yourself a sweater out of Nicotrol patches
7. You keep seeing Joe Camel on campus
6. You can mix house paint just by holding it
5. Increased interest in pacifiers and rubber nipples
4. You go around campus kissing ashtrays
3. You are amazed that food has flavor
2. Without realizing it, you suck on strangers' fingers

and the No. 1 sign that you're trying to quit smoking . . .

1. You eat everything in your dorm including other students

FILE PHOTO

The Drill Team performs during the Homecoming picnic

Drill Team makes Homecoming debut

By ESTERA LEWANDOWSKI
Staff Reporter

Who are those girls with all the moves wearing football jerseys? Has the football team gone coed? No, its the Villanova Drill Team, 13 smooth-moving hip-hop dancers. These girls express the essence of dedication. They can take full credit for the birth and organization of their Drill Team.

The team began when Brandy Brown and Junadah White decided that the pom squad was just not for them. They had intended on trying out, but were disappointed by the type of dancing involved. "We wanted something totally different," said Brown. Thus, they created a routine, held tryouts and chose 13 girls from the 30 who tried out.

The result of the tryouts was a group of individualistic dancers who definitely know how to groove. "There is a lot of talent in the group," said Drill Team member Alexis Vassilious. "When you go to a club, you always notice the people who can dance because everyone stands around them. We are those people."

The team dances to hip-hop and reggae music, which brings out a new twist from the regular cheerleading dancing. Their style is also very different. Brown said, "There are no smiling or chipper faces- just plain attitude dancing."

Because the Drill Team was begun by students, it is also completely run by the students. Without a coach, the girls choreograph their own dances and routines. There is no captain of the team because, "everybody gives input and contributes to the team," said Vassilious. "We're a pretty tight group and everybody is friends," she continued. "It takes a lot of cooperation for a student-run organization to go places."

Vassilious believes that their closeness will be the key to their success. Combined with their talent, their unity aids in the actual performance of the routines.

The Drill Team's first performance was at the Homecoming picnic. The response was definitely positive. "We heard alumnae saying things like 'Why didn't they have a group like this when we were in school?'," said Vassilious.

She believes that people were a bit hesitant about the group, yet they could not help but enjoy the dancing. "It's hard being a new group. We have no coach, no funds and nobody knows who we are." Nevertheless, the drill team makes use of what they have. They used football jerseys and jeans as uniforms and performed during the picnics rather than the game. They are hoping to get uniforms and working hard to get a spot at the basketball games. "Public support is what we need," said Vassilious.

Vassilious said that they are just "doing it for fun," but the Drill Team has been practicing every day for the past two weeks to obtain a spot in the upcoming talent show. All their hard work and dedication has paid off, and they will be performing at the show.

Although they would like to win the prize, their goal in performing is not simply monetary. "We just want some acknowledgment and respect," said Vassilious. "Our main goal is to bring something different to the Villanova community-something everybody can enjoy."

Biology students hold no limitations

By DOM MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

For those biology majors who are not excited by the emergency room drama of the television series ER, there are still many other job opportunities awaiting them after graduation.

Biology majors who do not plan to go to medical school after graduation usually have no problem finding jobs and graduate programs in hundreds of other health related fields.

With more than 340 students, the biology department comprises the largest of all the science programs at Villanova. While 30 to 40 percent of these students do go on to medical school, others seek jobs in areas ranging from air pollution analysis to marine biology.

Students with just a bachelor's degree are able to function as sales and service representatives in business and industry or they can find jobs with zoos, arboretums, museums and government agencies. Students right out of college can also do testing and inspecting in laboratories.

Those biology students who are stressing out about their next big exam need not worry about the many opportunities which wait for them after they receive their degree.

Biology is an important and critical field which is valued by many various companies related to the health industry. The amount of job opportunities nearly quadruples if one is thinking of entering graduate school. Medical school is simply one type of graduate school. There are many others which would help biology students to enter the world of law, research, graphic arts, journalism and others.

Business and industry with firms that produce agricultural chemicals, pest controls, dietary supplements, foods and beverages are all looking for biology majors.

Pharmaceutical companies throughout the United States employ biologists in large numbers. Even manufacturers of textiles, petroleum and leather goods offer promising opportunities. Biology training plus talent and interest in graphic arts can lead to jobs in scientific illustration and writing.

Dr. John Friede is the advisor for those interested in health professions. He often sees Villanova biology majors go into dentistry, physical therapy, pharmaceutical sales and research. There are no drastic changes in the job market, only advancements in various research fields. Bio-technical research has been growing as a result of the impact of genetic engineering.

Friede recommends internships in areas like research as a great way to aid those who are unsure what field interests them. He recommends looking into a variety of health areas in order to experience all that the biology field entails.

In many fields exposure to the health program is mandatory during a students college years. Graduate school is another way in which one can become more specified for a certain health field. Those who desire more responsible research and administrative positions or wish to teach at the college and university level require advanced degrees.

Biology majors who are confused and unsure about the future should visit Friede for more information or go to the career planning and placement center in the basement of Corr Hall.

Inner-City Teaching Corps trains graduates and touches the hearts of the young

By CHRISTINA BLANEY
Staff Reporter

Looking for a community service job after graduation? Ever thought of working with under privileged children? If so, then come to the Inner-City Teaching Corps meeting Nov.19 at 8 p.m. in the Bryn Mawr room of the Connelly Center.

I.C.T.C. is a volunteer organization that focuses on teaching at Catholic elementary schools in the inner-city of Chicago. This program is a two-year commitment in which the selected group of people live together in order to focus on the service to the economically oppressed area. Teaching service, simple living, faith based community and spirituality are all incorporated into this organization.

Executive Director Greg Mooney is a Villanova graduate of the class of '93 and is in charge of recruiting new volunteers for I.C.T.C. "I.C.T.C is a professional, but real approach at service," said Mooney. "It is about a willing to learn and be touched by an experience, and for people who want to give meaning to service. I am looking to meet people who will integrate these things into their lives." It aspires to get energetic college graduates to add their charisma to the program.

I.C.T.C. gives an opportunity to identify with the people of the community. It raises close to $2500 in student scholarships to help support the children's families and allow these children to attend the schools. "The schools are a beacon of hope in a neighborhood that is economically deprived," said Mooney.

Spirituality is a major part of the organization. It is not just based on catholicism, but more on faiths of all religions. It is a chance to practice service in a more varied way. "It is important to provide an environment where teachers are there to reflect deeper questions of the heart," said Mooney.

Villanova is tied with Notre Dame on being the top school in producing graduates who are willing to be volunteers and give service. Volunteers must be hard working, dedicated and open to new experiences. Volunteer teacher and Villanova graduate Matt Couture claims, "It's challenging and definitely worthwhile. I am able to use the things I learned at Villanova and practice them in the real world."

Starting next week, the Features section will be focusing on one particular professor each week. If you have any suggestions, call Samantha at x97206

F E A T U R E S

WXVU's new advisor has high expectations for improvement

By LAURIE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

WXVU, Villanova's student-run FM radio station, has a new advisor. Shawn Baxter began his new position on Oct. 21, replacing Dr. Ed Lordan, the former advisor who stepped down at the end of last semester.

Baxter is a teaching assistant in Villanova's history department. He is in his second year of graduate study at the University.

Ann Gavaghan, the station's general manager, said that WXVU is glad they were able to find someone with Baxter's level of experience. Baxter was previously the manager at the University of Portland's radio station. Although Portland had only an AM station, "its size was similar to WXVU," Baxter said.

Baxter said that he has been working with Randy Farmer, the director of student development, to discuss his role as advisor to the station. "One of my goals is to increase the professionalism of the station to reflect the quality of the University," Baxter said.

He continued that he does not think WXVU is currently taking advantage of the full potential of the University's students.

One major improvement which will increase the quality of the station is the addition of a new transmitter, which is expected to be in place by January or February, according to Baxter. WXVU's current transmitter is not powerful enough for the station's needs, and some students are not even able to receive the signal in their dorms. Baxter said it should "help improve the quality of the listening experience for the entire University."

Baxter also hopes to increase the appeal of WXVU among students by broadening the types of music offered. He said that the station is now "geared toward alternative music, but we want to continue to branch into different areas, to increase the breadth of musical programming."

He mentioned the popularity of the station's sports programming, and said that he wants to expand the musical programming so it can also "reflect the diversity of the campus."

Although he has been with WXVU for only a few weeks, Baxter is pleased with his experience so far. "Everyone that I've met is really excited about the opportunity to improve the station," he said.

PHOTO BY KARA GROUBERT

WXVU's new advisor, Shawn Baxter, fits right in at the radio station.

Greek Briefs

Attention all Greeks: Greek Briefs are due the Monday before the issue is distributed and will not be accepted any later.

Tau Kappa Omega news: Jerry Antonelis would like to thank his favorite alumni, Jerry Clark, for showing up Friday.

Alpha Chi would like to say thank you to everyone who helped out with Special Olympics this past weekend. Thanks also to Sig Ep for teaming up with us for the can-can booth. It was a great success. A quick reminder to all Alpha Chi's to get ready for skit tryouts! Finally, congratulations to Molly Dunn and Jamie Smarsh for winning the duo bowling tournament held at Devon Lanes this past weekend.

Chi Omega would like to congratulate a number of outstanding sisters this week, including Jill Kasper for being accepted into the University of Pittsburgh Medical School, Amy Cormier for being recognized in the homecoming court as well as Deborah Connelly on her recent engagement. Congrats also go out to the Chi O intramural volleyball team who is 3-0 and our flag football team who placed second in the Alpha Fiesta Bowl. Finally Chi Omega would like to congratulate the new executive board. Good luck to Melissa MacLellan, Tamara Wejnert, Sharon Krpata, Stephanie Canarelli, Carla DeVito, Heather Patsis, Kim McHugh, Meg Monaghan and Danielle Mirachi.

Great job to all the Pi Phi sisters who volunteered their time during Special Olympics this weekend! Whether you were an athlete escort, part of the medical staff or helping out at our cookie decorating table, you girls did a super job.

Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to congratulate their newly elected executive board. Congratulations also to the recently appointed committee chairs. Sig Ep would like to thank all the brothers who volunteered their time this weekend to Special Olympics. A special thank you goes out to Brian Atkinson, Pete Rask and Paul Conte who each served as chairs for the festival. Sig Ep is proud to announce brother, Chris Lee, as a member of Villanova's Basketball Team. He was the only walk-on player accepted to the squad this year. We would also like to thank our brother, Mark Recchiuti, who is in California this week competing as a top 10 finalist of some 12,400 men nationwide for this year's Structure model search.

First Japanese student to attend Villanova reflects upon personal experiences

Special to the Villanovan

Masakazu Sugiura, Class of '61, is now the chairman of Rokuoh Shoji Co., Ltd., which distributes Konica cameras and films. He is also actively involved in international buisness affairs and has traveled widely all over the world. But, almost 40 years ago, Sugiura was the first Japanese student to attend Villanova.

When Sugiura and his wife visited this campus in July, he fondly recalled his many good experiences studying and living at Villanova in the 1950s.

Sugiura mentioned four reasons that he decided to study at this campus: he came here because he was interested in studying in the United States, studying business and marketing and studying at an excellent catholic university. He was also interested in, increasing his understanding of a foreign language, society, people and culture.

Even present-day Villanova students might experience some culture shock of they were transported back to the campus of the 1950s. For example, there were no women students, Tolentine was a dormitory for freshman and all students were expected to wear jackets and ties in the classroom and cafeteria.

In those days, there was an entrance ceremony for incoming students. Also, so that they could be easily identified, the freshmen students were expected to pull up their cuffs and the sophomore students had to wear white caps.

In addition, the freshmen had to memorize the University song and cheers. "Discipline" was one of the most important values, and "Attention!" and "Look proud, men!" were among the orders given to freshmen by the inspecting officer, Sergeant Reilly.

Beginning in his sophomore year, Sugiura lived with an Americanfamily, Mr. and Mrs. Massey, in Bala Cynwyd. Having Sugiura stay with them gave the eldest son in the family, Joseph (class of '62) an interest in Japan. In fact, he later became Assistant United States Trade Representative for Japan and China under the Reagan and Bush administrations.

Sugiura enjoyed his campus life and made many friends. He often went bowling and dancing with his friends but spent most of the weekends catching up on his studying.

In addition, while at Villanova, he met Father Purcell, who had already been in Nagasaki as a missionary, and they have been good friends since. Also, Sugiura recalls that at his graduation ceremony in 1961, Cardinal Cushing spoke for about two hours.

And then Sugiura finally returned to Japan, he suffered "reverse culture shock." For example, he observed what a closed society Japan was, that in order to keep harmony in the homogeneous society, people are not encouraged to show any originality or individuality.

So, what are Sugiura's impressions of present-day Villanova? Of course, Villanova is now co-educational, and he noticed that there are many new buildings and many more shops and restaurants around the campus.

He is also impressed with the Villanova-Japanese program. Sugiura enjoyed visiting the Japanese summer classes and he remarked that the students are intelligent and hard working.

In appreciation for all that Villanova gave him, Sugiura and his wife have donated various books and study materials about Japan to the University. Also, Sugiura is working to establish an Alumni Association for Villanova graduates in Japan.

The Features section apologizes for the misprint of Dr. Chaudhry's name in last week's issue. If you are interested in the Japanese internship, contact x96442

SGA makes continual strides in progress around campus

By KELLY CURTIN
Assistant Features Editor

The 1996-97 Student Government Association(SGA) guided by the leadership of President Pete Acton and Vice President Sheldon Pollock looks to be making notable stridesof progress in improving various aspects of campus life.

With the largest executive board in SGA history, the association is composed of 65 executive members, along with the participation of an additional number of students. With the midway point of the semester gone by, Acton believes that the groundwork is laid and committees have been formed to ensure progress.

"We don't know everything nor do we have all the answers," said Student Government President Pete Acton. "There is alot of potential in the group and we are all learning how to make progress."

Three issues of major concern to student government are the ongoing computer problems, the housing debate and the visitation policy. Though there are many other issues to contend with, the SGA has placed emphasis on these three issues with much importance.

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"I believe changes need to be made in UNIT, personnel added and positions filled," said Acton. "These concerns need to be addressed as soon as possible. Facilities are not what they need to be, in terms of, when they are open, how they are functioning and whether or not there are enough computers to go around for the needs of the student population."

Student government has been working to alleviate some of the computer volume build-up by proposing ideas of a main computer facility, possibly on south campus.

The SGA also sees the need for the supposed Mendel computer addition to be carried out and finished. "The housing situation at Villanova is embarrassing," said Acton. "The University never builds to the point of luxury, rather it builds for dire need."

The University also stresses that most students are guaranteed three years of housing, which is obviously untrue. Acton expressed that once students move off-campus, they are left with the message of tough luck from the University.

This reinforcement only further implies how the University does not help off-campus students, and makes no commitment to their needs, according to Acton.

Visitation, once again, arises as a issue of concern to student government. Acton stated that the University needs to address the problem rather than deny it.

The SGA has kept a priority of making students voices being heard, as the organization has held visitation forums to allow students to voice anecdotes for the visitation policy.

Some other notable accomplishments of the SGA involve the philanthropy program, Operation Smile, the proposal of a teacher evaluation booklet and a hotline for students to voice their concerns about the health center.

In addition, SGA has helped to improve meal plan equivalency hours in the Connelly Center which will take effect next semester. Connelly Center will be opened later, and students will be able to use a late night meal plan.

"We(SGA) hope to be more proactive," said Acton. "We will start to see the real results next semester through all of our efforts."

F E A T U R E S

UNIT answers common questions about faults in the system

Special to The Villanovan from UNIT

Recently there have been a number of concerns raised regarding the student help desk. A better explanation of operations at the help desk may help to alleviate many of the concerns that the student body has.

First there is the concern of lack of response when calling the student help desk. There are a couple of issues included here.

First, many people call around the same time causing a bottle-neck around the hours of 2 p.m. until 5 p.m., then again between 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Calling at times other than those times will usually result in an answered call.

Also there is the problem of the number of rings heard before voice mail comes on. Understand that there are a number of phones that are serially connected at the student help desk. This is good at high-staffed times, so that when one phone is busy, it rings on the next; however, at times staffing this means the student will hear a number of rings before going to voice mail.

The above mentioned problems will hopefully be solved through the use of a new phone system that will be put into place in co-operation with the telecommunications office. The new phone system will provide both general information concerning connecting to and using Villanova's network, as well as, allowing up-to-date messages concerning network status.

There is one other major concern that some students have voiced. They have called the help desk and left a message, but have not received a call back. Be assured that every attempt is make to return your calls. Often, when the help desk phones are not busy, return calls are attempted.

However, these are times when students are not available in their rooms. The best solution we have been able to come up with is that the student help desk will respond to any unanswered voice mail at the end of each business day.

This will ensure continued contact between the help desk and the student body. On the down side, the response will depend on the initial message that is left. Limited assistance will be available through voice mail.

The student help desk is truly concerned about these reservations that the student body has brought up. The staff at the help desk hope that these steps will help to make computing on Villanova's campus easier.

Residence hall connectivity is going into its second year. Last year, there were concerns about how quickly each resident was connected. Over the summer, the help desk worked to make sure that residents would not have the same problem this year.

The solution to the problem was to switch the help desk to a phone support center, and creating and providing both documentation and software for each connectivity kit. DOS connectivity, which was supported last year, is proceeding with little trouble using this system.

Windows '95 users have encountered the most problems this year. Windows '95 is not officially sponsored by UNIT. However, the help desk is making every effort to provide network access for Windows '95, as well as DOS and MAC OS.

There are currently well over 750 registered residence hall users on the student server. This number is reflective of the co-operation the help desk has encountered with minimal on-site assistance from the help desk. The transition from on-site assistance to phone assistance has been relatively smooth, and the help desk thanks all those who participated in dorm connectivity for making this possible.

In response to the many requests for additional assistance, the help desk will be holding a number of workshops covering many common areas of question. Look for announcements on the student server and on the help desk voice mail for dates and times.

Topics will include basic dorm connectivity, e-mail and the internet. These informative workshops are designed to make Villanova's information technologies more accessible to students.

The student help desk is trying to make computing easier for the entire student body. It is through constructive criticism that improvements can be made to current policies and procedures. We thank SGA for bringing these concerns to light, and we ask students to feel free to voice concerns to SGA or the help desk via e-mail at helpdesk@student.vill.edu. For more information and network applications, visit our web page at www.vill.edu/helpdesk.

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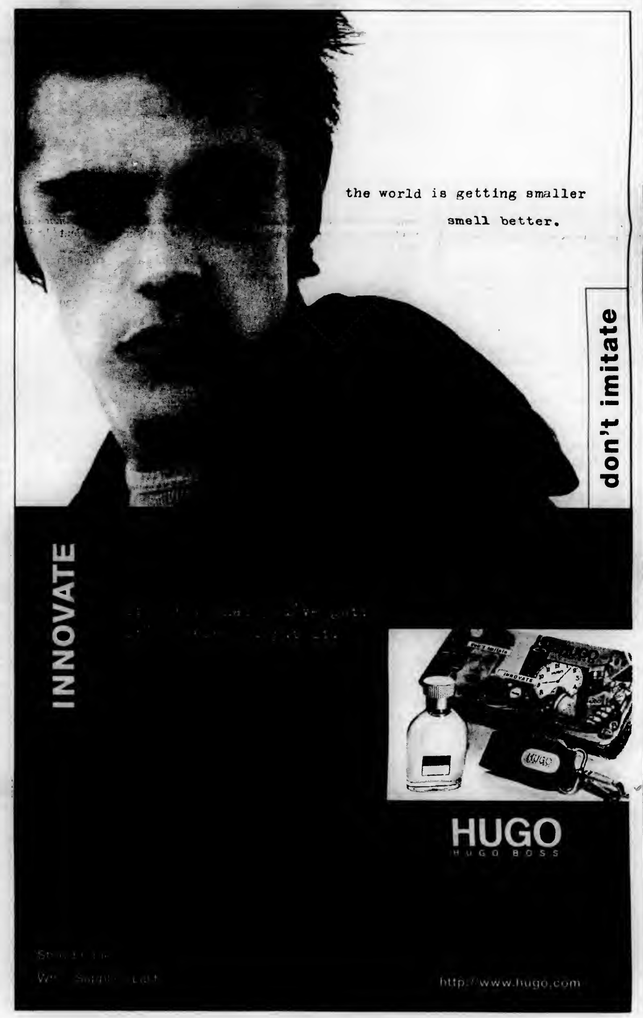

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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

V.S.M.T.'s "Pippin" mesmerizes audiences

By EMILY DITOMO
Assistant Entertainment Editor

The Villanova Student Musical Theater opened its 1996-97 season this weekend with a dazzling production of Stephen Schwartz's highly acclaimed musical, "Pippin." Directed by junior Noreen Scanlon, "Pippin" is the story of a recent college graduate who sets out on a journey to find "complete and utter fulfillment." Along the way, he struggles with the many quandaries inherent in searching for the "meaning of life."

When Pippin (Andy Silver) arrives home from college, he is greeted by his disinterested father King Charlemagne (David Fazzini), rival brother Lewis (Edgar B. Herwick) and sexually manipulative mother Fastrada (Sara Macerelli). Hell-bent on finding his place in society, the protagonist is influenced by everyone from his jubilant grandmother Berthe (Jennifer DeLucia) to the love of his life Catherine (Amy Acchione).

In addition to receiving the encouragement of these characters, Pippin is also inspired by the omni-present Leading Player (Todd Emmett) and his followers. As each scene progresses, the audience witnesses Pippin become tangled deeper in webs of anticipation, fear, joy and despair.

A musical masterpiece, "Pippin" explodes with song. From the melodious "Corner of the Sky," to the dramatic "Glory," to the humorous "No Time at All," the play's music proves both moving and entertaining.

The chorus members, obviously well-trained in the nuances of sound, are accompanied by a skillful four-member pit band, lead by musical director, Brian Meneely.

The choreography, in addition, effectively compliments the music. The combined effect is one of inspiration and awe. "Pippin" is lead by seven main characters; however, the chorus also plays an integral part in the production. Dressed in black and white, these 17 cast members take on various roles throughout the play, including soldiers, peasants and protestors. The result of their actions is a clear interpretation of "Pippin's" main themes: love, revolution, war and resolution.

Although "Pippin" deals with some controversial topics, the play is brimming with humor in the form of sexual innuendo. This ribald humor permeates each scene, adding comic relief to moments of dramatic climax. It is this careful blend of sober emotion and lighthearted folly that accounts for "Pippin"'s unique appeal.

V.S.M.T. does an outstanding job in its adaptation of Schwartz's classic. The cast even manages to transform the usually somber St. Mary's auditorium into a scene of blazing vitality. The set design, lighting and costumes all add to this magical metamorphosis.

"Pippin" finishes its run this week, with performances on Nov. 14, 15 and 16. All shows begin at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's auditorium. Plan on seeing this hit. Not only does "Pippin" showcase great talent, its message of self-reflection holds universal meaning.

"Pippin" opens V.S.M.T.'s 1996-97 season.

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Mel Gibson and Rene Russo star as Tom and Kate Mullen, who face the unthinkable when their young son is kidnapped

"Ransom" leaves audiences on the edge of their seats

By LAURA MENARD
Staff Reporter

Combine the superb direction of Ron Howard, the acting and top billing of Mel Gibson and a plot with more twists and turns than "The Fugitive," and viewers have the thriller of the season, "Ransom."

Mel Gibson, after his award-winning performance in and through the direction of "Braveheart," has hit the big screen once again. This time around, he is only acting and letting Ron Howard, the director of "Apollo 13," call the shots off camera. Together, this Oscar award-winning team has managed to keep audiences on the edge for yet another blockbuster film.

Tom Mullen, played by Mel Gibson, is a prestigious zillionaire who runs and owns his own airplane empire. Tom and his wife Kate (Rene Russo), along with their son, Sean (Brawley Nolte), form the perfect executive family. It is only when tragedy strikes, through the kidnaping of the Mullen's 9-year-old son, does their happy home get blown to pieces.

Through the emotional and terrifying struggle of losing a son, Gibson and Russo portray parents who are taken for an adventurous ride.

The kidnaping team (Lili Taylor, Liev Schreiber, Evan Handler and former New Kid OnThe Block, Donnie Wahlberg) are fully aware of the multi-millionaire they are dealing with. When the kidnappers first come in contact with the Mullens, it is through e-mail instead of the snips of newspaper or even the muffled phone voice that they use for communication. Not only is this film in touch with everyday modernizations, but also with moviegoers' need for a well-written and produced mystery.

While playing the game of cat and mouse, the kidnappers press all the right buttons hoping to get the ransom they have requested from Gibson.

Through the use of their high-tech computers and the game of phone tag, the kidnappers try to mislead the FBI and the Mullens. While playing the game of cat and mouse, the kidnappers press all of the right button, s hoping to get the ransom they have requested from Gibson. Gibson, playing a tough businessman whose life centers around his family, tries to reverse the situation and pushes the team of kidnappers beyond their limit when he refuses to pay. When the tables turn, it is an entirely different ball game with Gibson in control. But, is he really willing to wait and let the kidnappers find him? Wait and see; it is worth every second.

"Ransom," being a rather lengthy two-hours and 10 minutes, does not have one moment when viewers find themselves getting fidgety or able to blink. This action-packed thriller has so many twists and turns, there is no telling what is going to happen next. With the same suspense of the classic movie "The Fugitive," the audience becomes easily caught in this modern-day action flick.

Luscious Jackson dazzles with *Fever*

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

Bands can have all the gimmicks in the world but if they do not have the musical goods, who gives a darn? Luscious Jackson, straight out of New York City, is a straightforward quartet that dishes out solid grooves and smart lyrics on their latest release, *Fever In, Fever Out.*

The all-girl powerhouse follows a string of previous releases with fresh contagious enthusiasm that provides the listener with the quintessential dose of musical finesse. The Luscious Jackson girls display the progression into their own style with danceable beats and infectious harmonies. At times mellow and other times strongly animated, Luscious Jackson has continued to radiate dreamy, nimble rhythms that have gained them an impressive following.

Drawing power from behind the glamour is a band who knows how to rock. Luscious Jackson has such faithful fans as the Beastie Boys and Emmylou Harris, who appears backing vocals on several songs on *Fever In, Fever Out.* The first track, "Naked Eye," is enchanting in its warm tunefulness and this element remains for the more moderately-paced material of the album.

Jill Cuniff, bassist/vocalist/guitarist, succeeds in giving a heartfelt delivery to the poetic lyricism of the songs. Cuniff's voice flows like running water over the electrifying background sounds of jazz/funk guitar licks, smooth keyboards, and galloping drums.

Gabrielle Glaser, guitarist/vocalist, shares some singing responsibilities, and together the ladies add a balance and subtlety to the smooth beats with their vocals ranging from soulful to sultry.

"Water Your Garden" has a melodic sensibility that rings with the message that one should not let life pass him/her by and should take risks: "When you are old, you'll remember when you had the chance to have it all." Sweet angelic harmonies and groove-laden sounds fills the album with expansive, upbeat rock.

"Faith," which includes some artistically done record scratching, emphasizes not being cynical and to stand for what you believe in: "Faith will come humbly down/Fear will come tumbling down." Sound arrangements are slickly mastered and captivate the fresh, soothing sounds of Luscious Jackson.

The rhythmic shuffle and slide guitar grit of Luscious Jackson exude a savory blend of psychedelic and bluesy inflections. Luscious Jackson can best be described as a contemporary groove machine that only becomes better with repeated listening.

The band channels its energy into an intense musical expression that screams, "Don't tune this album out!" As the band puts it themselves in "Under Your Skin": "If it don't feel good when you first get in, wait until it gets under your skin."

Luscious Jackson's rhythms create soulful sound.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

"Michael Collins" explores Ireland's struggle

By WILL FERGUSON AND TERENCE MCCARTHY
Staff reporters

Internationally acclaimed director Neil Jordan returns to the familiar setting of Ireland for his latest film "Michael Collins." Jordan, best known for previous works such as "The Crying Game" and "Interview with a Vampire," also scripted the screenplay which focuses on Ireland's most controversial freedom fighter's role in gaining independence for his beloved country.

From the Easter Rising of 1916 to the assassination in 1926, the film covers this turbulent ten-year period of Michael Collins' life. Collins, nicknamed Mick, is portrayed by Liam Neeson as a courageous and rebellious man who follows in the footsteps of such legends as Sir William Wallace and Ghandi in dedicating his life solely to the freedom of his fellow countrymen.

The film tracks Mick's integral involvement in the I.R.A., as well as his later position in the Irish Army, in which he is forced to order and attack on his former allies.. Collins' urban guerilla warfare tactics are a focal point of the movie, which eventually bring the British government to its knees.

A subplot of the film is his romantic relationship with Kitty Kiernan(Julia Roberts) but do not fret, her role is small and this is no "Pretty Woman." From his rise to his demise, Jordan successfully captures the ideals and passion of this Irish legend.

T.BONE- In the opinion of this viewer, Jordan did a spectacular job all around and created an epic picture which is a must see. If one was to show this film at the Bear Mountain Irish Fest, the audience would emphatically respond with patriotic sobs of affirmation, followed by free rounds of Guiness pints.

Conversely, the audience at a movie premiere in London probably would not be all that excited. Yet, like "Braveheart," the movie has an overpowering, universal message about man and his inherit need for freedom.

The visual imagery is potent and highly symbolic, providing the viewer with an ascetically pleasing film. The actors are well directed and competent, despite the fact that Julia Roberts and Adan Quinn could not carry a realistic Irish brogue if their lives depended on it.

Liam Neeson, in particular, dominates the film and is brilliant. He again shows his heroic versatility, going from Oscar Schindler to Rob Roy and now to Collins.

Although some people feel the movie drags, I believe the narrative flows rapidly and coherently, as action- filled images of murder and escape are continuously cross-cut throughout the movie. There is never a dull moment, although I think the lame, romantic subplot fails in its attempt to exemplify Kitty Kiernan's role as a culprit in the downfall of the relationship between Collins and his best friend Harry Boland (Adian Quinn).

The Thrill- Before the fervent appraisals of my overzealous colleague, due to his infatuation with anything pertaining to his heritage, sends you running to the theaters expecting "Braveheart: The Sequel." Let me warn you that this film fails to capture the passion and emotion of such a momentous rebellion.

Liam Neeson is good, but he lacks the vigor and expertise of Mel Gibson that inflamed our insides against the tyrannical actions of the British crown in "Braveheart." His soapbox speeches to his Irish countrymen lack power and emotion, as does his character, and leaves one only partly invigorated for the cause.

"Michael Collins" drags a bit and needs more suspense and less plot. It's almost as if Jordan attempted to cover too much in this two hour and twelve minute film, which compels one to occasionally glance at one's watch rather than keeping one on the edge of one's seat.

There you have it. While T.Bone deems it a, "must see," Thrill says you can wait for the video. Regardless, it is a well made film that brings to light the saga of one of the most influential men in Ireland's continuing political struggle for peace.

Liam Neeson shines in "Michael Collins."

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Tuscadero are: Melissa Farris, Margaret McCartney, Jack Hornady and Phil Satlof

Tuscadero's re-release of *The Pink Album* pleases all fans

By CARA BECKERICH
Entertainment Editor

"We're happy go lucky," says Jack Hornady, the drummer from the Washinghton D.C. based band Tuscadero. He could not have possibly hit the nail more perfectly on the head. Comprised of Melissa Farris, Margaret McCartney, Jack Hornady and Phil Satlof, Tuscadero is making a comeback of sorts.

They have recently released a new and improved version of their 1994 full length LP, *The Pink Album*. This time around, *The Pink Album* has been partially re-recorded and entirely remixed for release on Electra records. The reasoning behind this improvement effort is to increase Tuscadero's small, but significant fan base.

Their sound is intense and intelligent pop, and they are the perfect concoction of sarcastic sap, facetious anger and silly ramblings. Their catchy jingly sound causes carefree bouncing around in the image of a Weezer song, while their biting lyrics hurt just like Bikini Kill. The combination sounds queer, but is actually quite pleasing.

Their songs cover topics mostly dealing with love and bitterness. Each seems to tell its own little story, like the song "Nancy Drew,"about a disgruntled woman pissed off because her parents cleaned out the attic and threw out all her old stuff. With lyrics like, "You threw out my Nancy Drew books, my model horses from Massachusetts, all my barbies and all my kens, my stuffed animals, my childhood friends," how could anyone help but fall in love with Tuscadero and the enchanting voices of Farris and McCartney.

Farris, lead guitar and vocalist, says "I used to collect Nancy Drew books and I had been trying to write a song about them for awhile. Then one of my friends came over and said 'Oh my parents got divorced when I was young and I decided to live with my dad, so my mom threw out all my books and model horses and all my barbies.' I use that in the song".

On "Dime-a-dozen," the story is told about a boyfriend who turns out to not be all that he was cracked up to be, and with lyrics like "...and I've only got one thing left to say, you know your daddy must've married his first cousin and guys like you are a dime a dozen," it does not cease to amuse. "Just my size" is an absurd little song about one girl liking another one's boyfriend because he's cute, "So if you're done with him and you don't really care, hand him over to me and like sister's we'll share...He's just my size, I think he's great keep him around as a spare date."

The Pink Album is doubtlessy worth re-visiting. Although there is nothing apparently wrong with the first release, this new twist on the second is a definitely appreciated. The re-release is a second chance for musical redemption. It would be silly to pass the opportunity by.

Cultural Film Series: "Bhaji on the Beach"

By KRISTI RICCI
Staff reporter

"Bhaji on the Beach," the first feature film made in England by an Asian woman, is the next feature in Villanova's Cultural Film and Lecture Series. Directed by Gurinder Chadha, "Bhaji" is a portrait of three generations of Indian women living in England. Although Indian by birth, the women have been shaped by the culture of England. The film examines this cultural conflict, as well as the inherent sexism and generation gap.

The central figure in this comedic film is a young married woman, Ginder, who has thrown her close community into shock by abandoning her husband and taking their 5-year-old son with her. At the same time, Hashida, a prospective medical school student, is pregnant. To make matters worse for her family, the father is a black man. Also, Asha, an older news agent, is plagued by visions of the god Rama, who appears to criticize her for going Western. Chadha shows how these women are forced to balance their personal needs with community pressures.

Bhaji is an Indian snack food whose identity has been westernized in the British Isles. Chadha chose her *title with this in mind as a metaphor* for the lives of the women in the film. These women, especially the younger generation, have also been westernized by England, the country in which they live.

"Bhaji on the Beach" is a mixture of gritty realism and natural comedy. Humor is consistent throughout this ultra-light, race-sensitive film. Although many foreign films tend to be deadly serious, "Bhaji on the Beach" is one that does not conform. It is a funny film, although it deals with problems of unwanted pregnancy, interracial dating, divorce, cultural values, family duties, feminism and violence.

"Bhaji on the Beach" will have four showing in the Connelly Center: Sat., Nov.16 at 7 p.m.; Sun., Nov. 17 at 3:30 and 7 p.m.; and Mon., Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. Admission is $3 for students. The Monday evening screening of "Bhaji on the Beach" will be introduced by Jeanne Allen. She will lead a discussion entitled "Gender and Racism in Colonial Britain" following the viewing.

For more information, please call x 94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

"Bhaji on the Beach" is a mixture of gritty realism and natural comedy.

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Eating on the Main Line

By JANET RUDDOCK
Entertainment Editor

The King Street Grille and Market, with its diner atmosphere, created mediocre food that left for a mixed review. On arriving at the restaurant my companions and I were surprised to walk into what looked like a diner, rather than a restaurant.

In addition to this surprise, we found ourselves to be the only customers at 6 p.m. on a Friday. That concerned us, but happily it did get extremely crowded in the hour or so that we were there.

Upon opening the menu we were pleasantly surprised to find that they had a wide variety of selections from vegetarian and oriental food sections, to the basic burgers and hot/cold sandwiches and platters. We labored over our selections.

There were no appetizers, but for an extra $1.50 added on to the price of the meal, you could choose a soup or salad. I chose the salad, which proved to be tasty with fresh lettuce and tomatoes. The clam chowder soup on the other hand, was questionable. It had a yellowish watery texture theat brought up issues of quality.

Next came the entrees. I had the lasagna. My companions had the chicken tenders, turkey breast and a daring penne pasta. Everything looked delicious when it arrived each of the dinners came with warm bread and the chicken fingers came with some crisp looking fries.

After a few bites of my lasagna I started to lose interest. It had a chunky quality, and I could not recognize many of the things in it. In addition, the taste was sort of bland. My companion who ordered the penne pasta was also disappointed. Again it wasn't that it tasted so bad as much as it was bland and lacked any real taste at all.

On the other hand the chicken fingers and the turkey breast were a success. They tasted as one would expect, nothing spectacular. But hey, when you order chicken fingers you are probably not looking for anything spectacular.

To clench the review we went for dessert. Unfortunately the dessert faired about as well as the dinner. Two of us had the cheesecake, two had the carrot cake. The cheesecake again was bland and what you could taste was not that good. I had about three bites before I stopped and I drank a lot of ice tea to get ride of the taste. Those that ordered the carrot cake were happy enough, again nothing spectacular nothing to complain about.

The King Street Grille and Market, located on 400 East Street Malvern, Pa., had mediocre food but good service. I could see this place being great for brunch but as dinner goes I wouldn't seek it out.***

C.A.T. presents Agents of Good Roots in Belle Air

By MICHAEL CORCORAN
Staff reporter

Fresh off this summer's H.O.R.D.E. tour come the Agents Of Good Roots, a Richmond Virginia based band with a very distinct sound.

Their music has been described as anything from jazz, to funk, to "grassroots" rock, but vocalist and lead-man Andrew Winn is dissatisfied with being classified into any of these specific categories.

As he says, "We're just a rock and roll band. Our roots are in jazz and funk, but we're just a rock and roll band." With a huge, and ever- growing fan base stretching from New York to Georgia, many feel that this description does not capture the band's true depth and intensity .

Consisting of bass player and vocalist Stewart Myers, drummer and vocalist Brian Jones, saxophonist and flautist J.C. Kuhl, and guitarist and vocalist Andrew Winn, Agents of Good Roots g o e s beyond the stereotypical definition of rock music.

This past spring, they released their debut CD, Where'd You Get That Vibe? which is a compilation of funky love tunes, ballads, and jazz melodies. Despite the CD's praise and success, what makes the Agents of Good Roots so successful and unique are the live performances. They have brought this live performance to places like Atlanta, Chicago, New York, and everywhere in between with a non-stop touring schedule.

The band is also managed by "Red Light Management", the same company which manages the Dave Matthews Band. These are no small accomplishments for a group of four guys none of which are older than the age of 23.

The Agents of Good Roots is one of the most exciting new bands on the national scene, and with their talent, the exposure gained from touring on the H.O.R.D.E. tour, and a non-stop tour schedule they are sure to grow in popularity very quickly. So come to Belle Air tonight at 9 p.m. and see a great show. It's FREE!

Murray continues comic tradition

By VIVIAN BLANCO
Staff reporter

"Larger Than Life," a comedy starring Bill Murray and Janeane Garofalo, typifies Murray's usual role as a man in a rocky relationship. Murray plays Jack Corcoran, a motivational speaker, who is ironically having problems using the skills he teaches. His life is being turned upside down by Vera. What makes this relationship different for Corcoran is that Vera is none other than a circus elephant.

Vera was an inheritance left to Corcoran by his father, who rode Vera in his act. Corcoran is shocked to find out who his father really was and is then given the responsibility of caring for an elephant. The movie revolves around Corcoran figuring out what to do with Vera and making a connection with the life his father had.

There is some beautiful scenery in this movie, seen as Corcoran and Vera travel across the country to California. Corcoran has the worst luck though, and is always finding himself in some awkward position from sleeping in a junkyard, stealing a rig, and riding in a boxcar, crossing a desert, and confronting a maniac truck driver. There is also the meeting with his father's old carnival friends: the tattooed lady and the fire-eating man.

Corcoran makes an attempt to learn his father's back road way of life through his experiences with Vera. His attempts to control her will make anyone laugh. Vera steals the show with her many tricks like skipping, bowing and standing. She even outsmarts Corcoran some of the time. Vera is certainly one talented elephant.

"Larger than Life" is a cute movie that makes one laugh because it is so odd. It is very different and unrealistic. It is not a movie I would run out to see, but if you are in a fun mood "Larger than Life" is probably a good idea. Once again it is your usual Bill Murray type of comedy.

Mazzy Star mellows listeners

By CATHERINE LANGE
Staff reporter

Mazzy Star is back, and her latest CD *Among My Swan*, is one listeners do not want to miss. It has been a while since we have heard from Mazzy Star. Their last hit "Fade Into You" was a big success, but they certainly appeared to fade out of the music industry for a while. But now they are back in full force.

A combination of vocals, harmonica, and percussion instruments create Mazzy Star's latest CD. The album begins with "Disappear", a lighthearted melody that sets the mood of the entire album. The guitarist is accompanied by a tambourine playing in the background creating a very pleasing, yet relaxing sound. The vocals are very soft and mellow, allowing one to hear all of the different instruments used to create a wonderful sound.

Among My Swan features an acoustic or electric guitar at the beginning of every song, creating a unique beginning. "Still Cold" and "Flowers In December", are two of Mazzy Starts newest songs featuring a wonderful balance of vocals and instruments. The percussion instruments that are used in these songs create a wonderful sound that is very appealing to the ear.

Mazzy Star creates a very different musical background for their songs. The music on *Among My Swan* is very mellow. The album is great to listen to when one need to unwind. "Roseblood," one of the new songs is a reminder of their previous hit "Fade Into You," the sound is almost identical. However, they have a unique way of creating new and interesting sounds with the instruments while staying with their typical style.

Mazzy Star's use of so many different percussion instruments is something that is not used much these days so, it is a nice change of pace. This new album will be a favorite with Mazzy Star fans, and hopefully will attract a whole new crowd of listeners.

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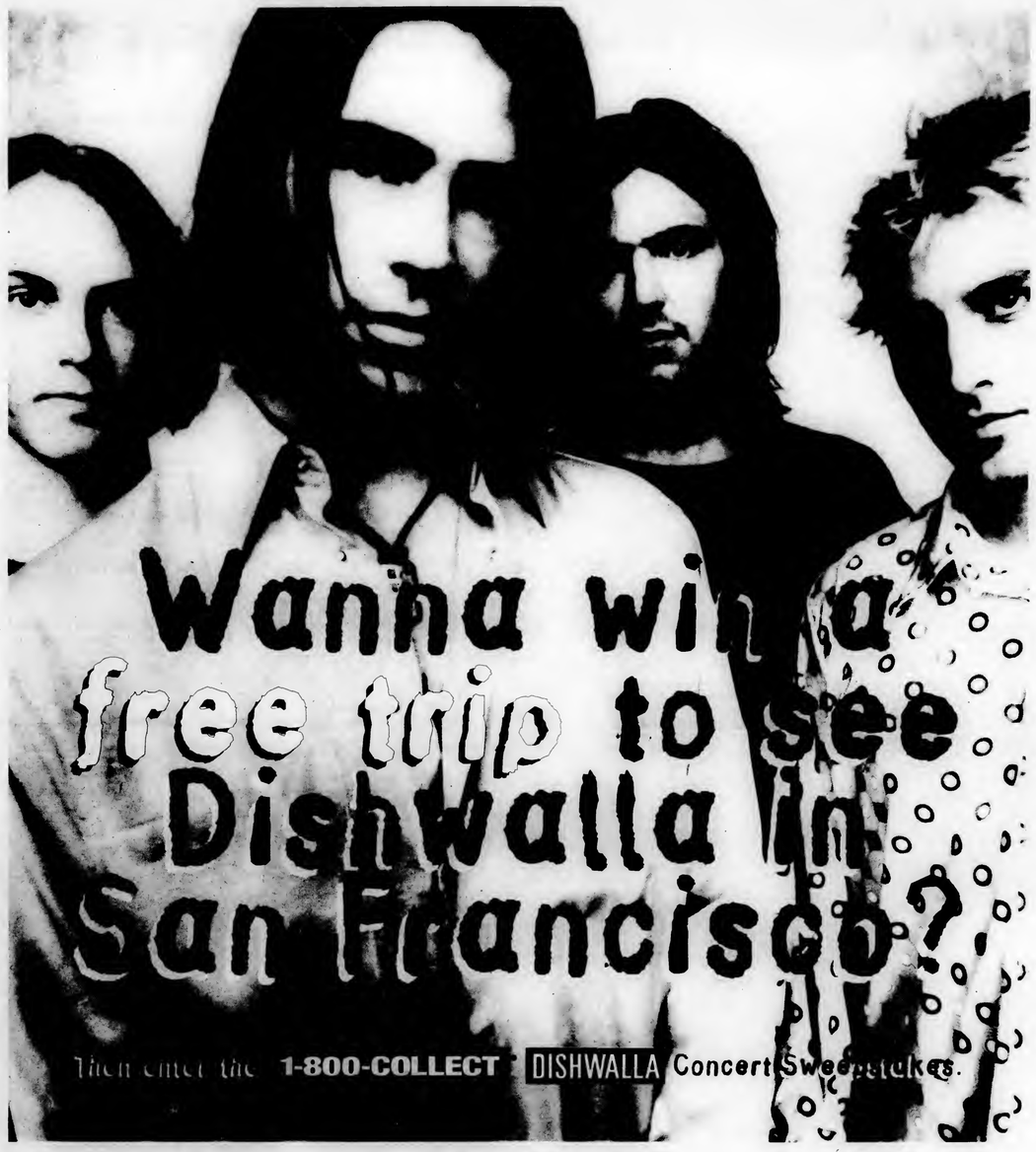

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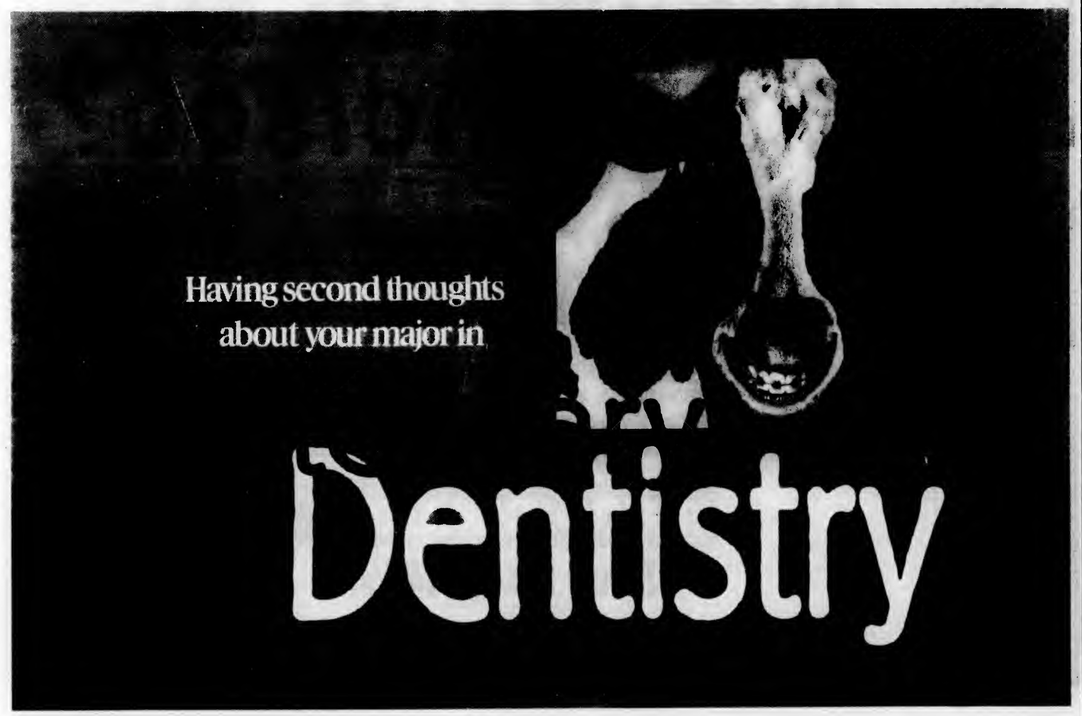

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Phalanx	1-1
The Rejects	3-1
Northern Lights	2-2
B Side Bombers	2-1
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Wolfpack	3-0
LXA	1-2
The Breakers	0-3
Scumbags	0-3
Navy	3-0
All Stars	2-1

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TKO	0-2-1

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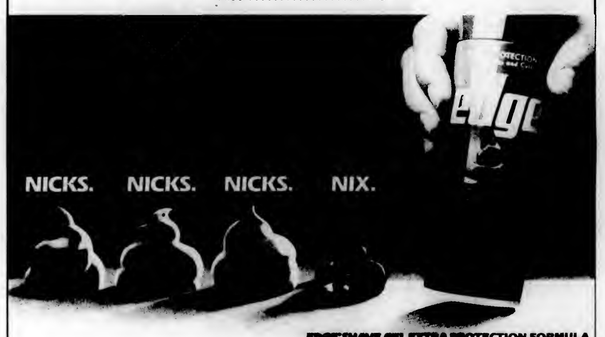

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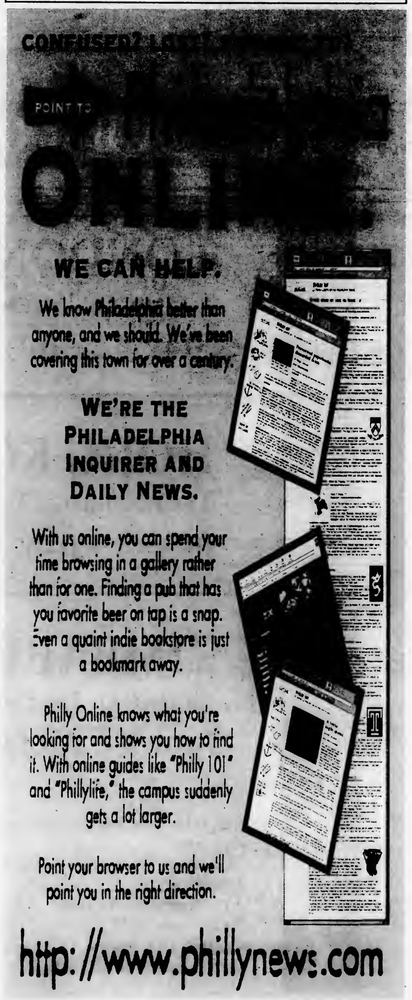

S P O R T S

IceCats recover after slow start, beat Scranton

By JAMIE NOONAN
Staff Reporter

The Villanova hockey team felt it had something to prove after its disappointing showing in the RIT Tournament. At the tournament, the IceCats had to play two of the top four ranked teams in Division III hockey. This is not an easy task for any team.

The squad looked to get back on the winning track when it played Scranton on Nov. 6. This was the team's last game before the start of the ECAC regular season. To say that the team was kicking on all cylinders may be an understatement.

Midway through the first period, sophomore Chris Rissmiller, who leads the team with 11 points, struck for the first of the team's three first period goals. By the time Scranton had scored its first goal 'Nova was already ahead 3-1.

The Cats never looked back, tallying three more goals in the second period and six in the third period.

When the final horn sounded, Villanova had pounded home twelve goals on 43 shots for the 12-1 victory. Leading the way for the Cats were Bryan Gubbins, Dave Hage, Jonathan Hughes and Tracy Moors, each of whom had two goals in the game.

Mark Ginsberg played a solid game in the net for 'Nova, stopping all 10 shots he faced. It was a quiet third period for the netminder as the IceCats defense held Scranton to only two shots. Meanwhile, the Cats offense compiled 17 shots in the period.

All in all, it was a solid game for Villanova. It was the first time all year that the entire team seemed to really click. Everyone played well and it was a good final tune-up for the team's first ECAC game of the year against Fairfield.

The Cats came into the game as big underdogs to Fairfield. Experts had picked them to win the league, while Villanova has been picked to finish last.

The team did not let this bother them as they jumped out to an early 1-0 lead when captain Bruce Lorange scored on the first shift of the game.

A Moors slapshot was stopped by the Fairfield goalie, but the rebound kicked out to the right circle. Lorange was there to pounce on the rebound and drive home the shot as he beat the goalie to the upper left hand corner. The quick score, though, was not evidence of how the game would go.

Neither team scored again in the first period, and in the second bad things seemed to happen to 'Nova. Several penalties kept the Cats a man or two down for nearly nine minutes of the period.

With great penalty killing the team was able to beat back several scoring opportunities by Fairfield and score a goal of their own in the period.

Gubbins had just left the box after serving a penalty when the puck was flipped to mid-ice. Gubbins raced from the box, beating the Fairfield defenseman to the puck. A last ditch dive at the puck by the defense did not work, and Gubbins took the breakaway and beat the goalie on the right side.

While the goal was impressive, so was the man between the pipes for the Cats. Ginsburg, the goalie, stopped a barrage of Fairfield shots allowing only one to get by him. This coupled with great defense and penalty killing allowed 'Nova to hold on for the huge 2-1 upset victory.

"This was a big win for the team," commented Gubbins. "We are off to our best start in quite a while, and it was good to see the entire team play well. This was a total team victory."

"We sent a message out to the ECAC; we are not to be taken lightly," Lorange commented. "We have a lot of young guys, but we also have a lot of talent. We just want to win our division and gain a little respect."

The team will next face Skidmore this weekend at home in a two-game series. This will be another tough challenge for the IceCats. Skidmore won the division last year and likes to play a physical style of hockey. With their momentum coming off the two victories, do not look for the Cats to back down.

The Villanovan's
Athletes of the Week

Male
Mark Ginsberg
Hockey

The IceCat goalie recorded a 10-shot shutout against Scranton. He also was in net for the IceCats' 2-1 victory against Fairfield.

Female
Kristen Stretankski
Swimming

Kristen took top honors in the 200 and 100 Free in the Wildcats dual meet against Rutgers and Miami.

Come watch the IceCats take on Skidmore Saturday, 5 p.m. at Haverford Stadium

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S P O R T S

KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

This past weekend can only be described as manic depressive. The manic part had to do with the fact that the 76ers' revolution has begun. What made it even better was that the Sixers' first win came against the Celtics.

A win against those has-beens is always sweet. But now it's even better considering that the two franchises are obviously headed in opposite directions. It used to be that in arguments with my degenerate New England friends, we would be forced to focus on the 1980s because both Boston and Philly stank.

Now, despite the fact that the only things I remember from any NBA season during the 80s are our 1983 championship and the eternal vision of Dr. J choking the stuffing out of Bird, apparently other things took place. Because I'm no NBA historian, I would usually allow the possibility that Boston might have been an O-kay team during the Reagan years, although I still think it's a bunch of propaganda (I will not, however, concede to their point that the Patriots were ever any good). But I digress.

Anyway, the situation comes down to this: The Sixers are good and are getting better, while the Celtics stink and are getting stinkier. No longer will I have to debate the point of whether Moses was better than the Chief. Nor must I fight to get Mo Cheeks the respect he deserves. Instead, I can now look to a future of Philly dominance, while they wallow in the past.

But as if that victory were not enough, a scant four nights later, we went into the Garden and spanked the Knicks. While the dialectic of the diverging trajectories of two franchises does not exist in the New York/Philadelphia rivalry, it's always nice to stick it to those blow-hard New York fans who seem to have infested this campus.

Those New Yorkers are a funny bunch. If you can ever find one that speaks in more than just grunts and groans and you take the time to converse with him, you will find that everything in New York is the best, while everything outside of New York sucks (Pardon my language, but one must use terms these cretins understand). Once you pose the question as to why then New Yorkers ever leave their paradise, you are likely to be treated to unintelligible grunts and groans that contain the letter "F" quite a bit. Anytime this false arrogance can be punctured in any way, it is a good thing indeed.

The depressive part of the weekend had to do with the Eagles. I'm not devastated by the loss to the Bills, but there is a definite melancholy that accompanied this defeat. Cosmologically, the stars were aligned in just such a way that the Skins and the Packers both lost and the Birds could have easily waltzed right into the NFC Championship. But, alas, it was not to be.

This lost opportunity is distressing, but the real problem is the way the Eagles lost. Ricky lost his head and was never really in the game. This cannot happen if Philadelphia is going to do anything the rest of the season.

Reportedly, Watters was displeased about his role as a decoy for Charlie Garner who was able to outperform Watters with fewer carries. If there is any truth to this, Coach Rhodes must consider not running Garner the rest of the season. I know, I know--where's the justice in sitting a guy because he plays better than another guy? Perhaps there is none, but when the situation exists where you go only as far as Ricky's going to carry you, maybe you give into a temper tantrum every now and again. Besides, maybe the Eagles could trade Garner for an entire special teams unit.

Luckily the Eagles' problems on Sunday are not pathological. Philadelphia played like crap and was still in the game until the very end. There's something to be said for that. With a little work on special teams and on both lines, they should be able to run the last six games of the season. At worst, they'll go 5-1, losing to the Colts. Combine that with the fact that the Sixers will beat Boston and New York seven more times this season, and life is good indeed.

Holyfield gives boxing fans a real deal

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

Late Saturday night a revolution took place in the desert. The sport of boxing won a major victory over corruption behind Commander Vander. Evander Holyfield's stunning 11th round TKO of Mike Tyson breathed new life into a sport that has been terminally ill for years. In one night, Holyfield went a long way towards righting all that has gone wrong with boxing.

No one in his right mind gave him a chance of winning. The odds on the fight opened at 25-1. Forty-eight sportswriters across the nation were polled and only one picked Holyfield. Conventional wisdom said that five years ago this would have been a great fight, but now Holyfield was too old to cause Tyson any serious problems. Maybe the admirable, aging champion could hold off Iron Mike for three or four rounds, but after that it was a dicey proposition. Look who's laughing now -- Holyfield and one lonely sportswriter. The rest of us can sit back and marvel at the many great things that took place.

First of all, there can be no doubt that anyone who saw the fight got their money's worth. This is a veritable news flash, especially considering the $49.95 price tag. It was nothing new that *Showtime* broke a record for most pay-per-view buys with around 1.6 million sales, after all, the previous record of 1.4 million was held by the Tyson/Peter McNeeley bout. The surprise is that the fans were treated to one of the greatest fights of all time, instead of the standard fare of the mere sight of Tyson sending a hopeless club fighter running for the hills.

Tyson was upset by Holyfield, but you can be sure that he didn't lay down. He was the victim of an incredible tactical fight fought by a fruly great fighter. Holyfield again showed that he has the heart of a champion, and regained the belts to match. Tyson also showed that he has heart. He easily could have collapsed in the 10th under the type of barrage usually only seen at the end of a *Rocky* movie, but he didn't. He somehow came back out and endured another 37 seconds of punishment before referee Mitch Halpern stopped the fight before Holyfield dealt the death blow.

Tyson needing the referee to step in and protect him from the man with the heart condition is certainly an ironic twist, but how it ended is not the main point here. The fans saw two fighters who were going to battle until they had nothing left. It just so happened that Tyson ran out of gas first.

Now that the fans have seen what a real boxing match looks like, they will hesitate to shell out big money to see Tyson obliterate another chump. After Tyson's last fight, the Bruce Seldon debacle, I commented that it was unfortunate that Evander Holyfield would have to risk his life in order to challenge the system. He did, and everything turned out beautifully.

He not only provided Tyson with some real competition, but he beat him soundly. He would not allow himself to be intimidated by the staring man with the cutoff sweatshirt, nor would he back down when Tyson hit him early. When Holyfield knocked Tyson to the canvas in the sixth round, the Tyson mystique that has existed since his release from the pen went down with him. Don King will now have to provide the public with quality matchups to attract their attention, merely a look at the legendary Mike Tyson is no longer sufficient.

What the fans will surely want is a rematch in what would be sure to become the highest-grossing fight ever. Until that happens they'll want to see other enticing matchups in the upper echelon of the heavyweight division. Thanks to Holyfield, the days of over a million people paying ridiculous amounts of money for what everyone knows to be a joke of a fight are over.

Maybe the best thing that came out of this fight was Holyfield himself, alive and victorious. He fought a perfect fight for the sport he loves for the sake of competition. Like a true competitor, he did everything that he needed to do to win; he wasn't going for style points. When Tyson hit him, he would not cover up and cower in fear as it says to do in the Don King's Tyson opponent manual. He would counter strategically or hold, there's no need to stand in and trade blows at close range with Iron Mike. He executed his fight plan to perfection, and now the three-time champ has reached his highest peak ever.

All of that having been said, it would be a shame if something were to happen in the ring with his suspect ticker, should he fight again. Why risk his health or the tarnishing of all that he has accomplished now for another big paycheck?

He has proved everyone wrong and helped to get his sport off the respirator. Holyfield has said he most likely will fight again, and a rematch seems inevitable. I, on the other hand, hope that he decides to ride off in a blaze of glory, his place in the history books as one of boxing's great champions now firmly established. Then again, his critics have been wrong before.

DAILY NEWS

Mike Tyson was unable to put up any resistance to the savage beating Evander Holyfield gave to him in the 10th round. Tyson came back out for the 11th round and soon regretted the decision.

Today's NBA: An exercise in boredom

By JON NEHLSEN
Sports Editor

Don't get me wrong. I'm a hip guy. But for some reason, I just don't understand the appeal of the NBA. Being an open-minded '90's male, though, I decided to give it one last chance. For one thing, Allen Iverson is supposed to be the league's latest superstar. He alone should be worth the price of admission. Plus, the new CoreStates Center was an attraction. At least I would no longer feel as if I were in a time warp when I enter the front gate. So last Saturday night, I landed myself a date and headed down to South Philly for some Sixers action.

DAILY NEWS

Allen Iverson: the man we once loved to hate.

My initial reaction was nothing short of astonishment. For anyone who has not seen the new building, it is impressive. I had heard that, under new owner Pat Croce, the team had revitalized the fan-franchise connection. It turned out to be true, sort of. Sure they charged me eight dollars to park my car, but there seemed to be hundreds of Spectrum employees all smiling and eager to direct me to where I needed to be.

That, unfortunately, was where the good times ended. First we went to the ticket window and purchased two $28 tickets. Not having been to a Sixers game in years, I figured I'd splurge. Well, we walked around to section 222 and began the long and arduous climb to our seats. Mind you, this was no small feat; these suckers were in the upper stratosphere. Twenty-eight bucks and I could barely see the court. Oh well, at least I was in the building.

Then things really got interesting. The Sixers came out on the court to warm up and, much to my surprise, accompanying the team was the thundering bass of rap music. Not being the world's biggest fan of that particular music genre, I began to feel a little dyspeptic. Then the lovely lady at my side leaned over and remarked, "Look Nels, that little guy, number three, is dancing." Lo and behold, there was Iverson gyrating to the beat while he nonchalantly dribbled a basketball between his legs. This was getting out of hand. This kid is supposed to be the pride and joy of Philly and here he was cutting a rug minutes before tip-off. This is a meat and potatoes kinda town. What ever happened to the low-key superstars that once typified the attitude of this blue-collar city? What ever happened to Rocky Balboa?

Still, I thought it was all part of the fanfare and it would shortly give way to some exciting hoops action.

How wrong I was. After being treated to an unrecognizable version of the national anthem, there was a laser-aided player introduction. The Phoenix Suns were in town, I could watch Charles Barkley and Kevin Johnson, two of the league's finest. Wait, scratch that, free agency apparently plucked them both from Phoenix.

Could this night get any worse? You bet. It was time for the game to start. The Sixers looked fair. Sure, the Suns didn't play defense, but the Sixers could score. There seemed to be talent at every position. So this begged the question? If four of the five Sixers' starters are legitimate all-stars, why is the club so lousy?

The answer soon became clear. Discipline. They have none.

As for Iverson, he was twice whistled for carrying the ball. Carrying the ball? I guess his CYO coach forgot to tell him that was illegal. Later, he made a beautiful twisting behind-the-back pass--to a lucky fan in the first row. All in all, though, it was a good night for the rookie. He fouled out with six points. But at least he can dance.

Now I don't mean to sound like an old curmudgeon. I am open to new things. Change is good. But what I witnessed Saturday night was not change. It wasn't basketball. Pay attention, NBA Commissioner David Stern. The game is good enough without all the pomp and circumstance. It is not a spectacle, it is a sport. Unless something is done to make the game more appealing to the true basketball fan, the NBA will be thought of in the same breath with the WWF.

S P O R T S

Fighting Irish kick Wildcats from Big East Tournament

By KEVIN McKEON
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's soccer team finished its season last Saturday when they were ousted from the Big East Tournament by the top-ranked Notre Dame Fighting Irish in South Bend, Ind.

Head Coach Shelly Chamberlain's team was coming off a 10-0 defeat at the hands of that same, Notre Dame team the week before. The second time was more of the same with Notre Dame controlling the game and posting an 8-0 victory. Notre Dame and Connecticut, the top two teams in the country, faced each other in the Big East Tournament finals with Notre Dame coming out on top.

Villanova has a lot to be proud of this season. Despite a record that did not live up to preseason predictions, the Cats still managed to qualify for the Big East Tournament by winning three out of their last four conference games. The top four teams in the Big East made it to the post season. 'Nova finished the 1996 campaign with a 5-4 conference record to secure their spot in the post season. Notre Dame finished first at 9-0, Connecticut finished second at 8-1 and Rutgers finished third at 6-3.

The Villanova win over West Virginia on Oct. 30 turned out to be an important one as that served as the tie-breaker that sent the Cats to the Big East Tournament. West Virginia also finished their Big East season with a 5-4 record.

There were two major problems that hindered the Wildcats throughout the early portion of the season. Villanova failed to put enough shots on goal, and Chamberlain was unable to find a lineup that would gel together until the middle portion of the season.

As with any sport, injuries play an important role in a team's production on the field. This season, the Cats lost a tremendous defender in junior Beth McCaffery for 16 games and a promising midfielder in freshman Erica Rauchut for 13 games. Both players suffered season-ending knee injuries but hope to be fully rehabilitated by next fall.

Senior forward Kathleen Roman and junior forward Maura McGhee both had solid offensive seasons leading the squad in points with 21 and 19, respectively. Junior midfielder Molly Bushman will be back for her senior year following a consistent nine-point season. Co-captain Kara Stanislawczyk and junior Stephanie Shields put in outstanding seasons on the defensive end.

In the net, sophomore Jeanne Hennessy posted a 2.13 goals-against-average, including five shutouts.

The 1997 Cats will sorely miss the on-field leadership of senior co-captains Debbie Pickrel and Kara Stanislawczyk. The Wildcats will also be losing seniors Kathleen Roman, Gigi Romero and Megan Schlussel.

The one thing that never was in question for the 1996 Villanova women's soccer team was its heart. The squad arrived weeks before the end of summer vacation, and they trained for a tremendous amount of hours in preparation for this season. Head Coach Chamberlain and the entire Villanova squad can feel good knowing that they never gave up this season despite a tough start. The accomplishment of clawing their way into the post-season stands as a testament to one of the hardest working teams on the 'Nova campus.

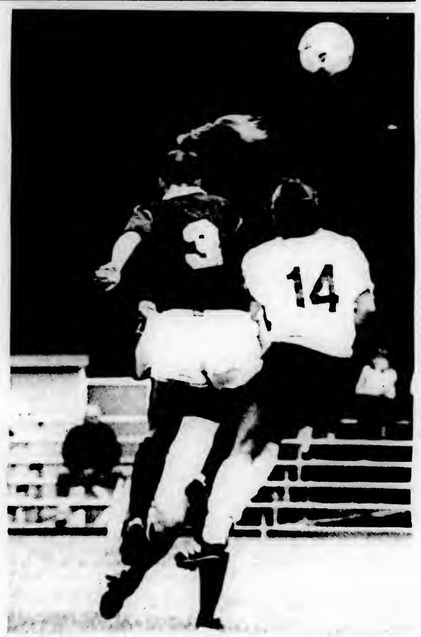

PHOTO BY AMY DRAKE

The soccer team was once again pummeled at the meaty hands of the Irish, 8-0.

Volleyball charges down the stretch, wins four of five

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

The women's volleyball team has won four of its last five games as the season begins to go down the final stretch. The Wildcats came away with victories against Seton Hall, Rutgers, Temple and Boston College. The team's loss to Providence broke an eight game winning streak dating back to Oct. 11.

The Wildcats hosted Seton Hall on Oct. 31, and captured a 15-11, 15-1 and 15-10 victory.

Sophomore Megan O'Brien led the pack with 16 kills and seven digs. Elizabeth Jones turned in 10 kills and seven digs. Captains Stacey Evans and Debbi Picco combined for 15 kills and eight digs.

In the second game of the match, 'Nova was all over Seton Hall in team attack percentage, .667, versus .042 for the Hall.

On Nov. 1, the Wildcats easily beat Rutgers in straight games, 15-3, 15-12 and 15-6. Junior Marisa Davidson turned in a stellar performance with 15 kills and six digs. O'Brien was right behind her with 13 kills and seven digs.

Jones and Evans combined for 13 kills and 16 digs. Freshman Stacey Moline had 42 assists.

In another home matchup, the Wildcats came up with another victory against Temple, 15-9, 18-16 and 15-5.

'Nova traveled to Boston College on Nov. 8 to take on the Eagles, and captured another victory, 15-5, 15-13 and 15-9. O'Brien had another spectacular performance, leading the team with 19 kills and seven digs.

Evans turned in 14 kills, nine digs and five block assists.

Jones, Davidson and Picco combined for 25 kills, 26 digs and eight block assists.

The Wildcats did not come away victorious in their match against Providence on Nov. 10 as they broke an eight-game winning streak in a disappointing 15-12, 15-10, 8-15, 15-17 and 14-16 defeat. O'Brien had an excellent outing with 31 kills and 22 digs. Jones posted 24 kills and 37 digs. Evans, Davidson and Picco combined their efforts for 47 kills and 61 digs.

On the season, O'Brien posts team highs with 376 kills and a .269 attack percentage. Junior Evans is second in kills with 340 while Jones has a team high of 342 digs so far this season.

With a 18-7 overall record and a 6-3 record in the Big East, the Wildcats look to close out the season in a winning way with two home games, against Pittsburgh tomorrow and Syracuse on Sunday.

FILE PHOTO

Junior captain Stacy Evans awaits her opponent's serve. Evans is currently second on the team in kills.

Water polo bows out to Queens and Slippery Rock

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

The men's water polo team wrapped up another great season at the Eastern Championships last weekend at Harvard. 'Nova took on No. 15 Queens in the opening match on Saturday, setting up the second clash between the two teams this season. Despite junior Darren Hardel's three goal effort, Pat Kain and Anthony Santoro each netting two and Brian Tomsheck adding one, the outcome was the same as it was in September, with Queens prevailing, 13-9.

In the second game of the day, a tired Villanova took on No. 20 Princeton in what was also the two teams' second meeting of the season. Princeton was out to avenge its heart-breaking overtime loss to Villanova earlier in the season, but 'Nova did not want to split the series. The men prevailed again, 10-6, with spectacular four goal efforts from Kain and senior co-captain Jamie Randall. Also contributing to the win with a goal apiece were Marcus Sanford and Brian Swider.

The Cats survived Saturday, but they needed to be perfect on Sunday in order to advance to the NCAA final four. The team faced another familiar foe in No. 18 Slippery Rock. 'Nova lost to Slippery Rock in their last regular season game, so it was ready to exact revenge.

Unfortunately, Slippery Rock had other ideas and stopped the Wildcats season dead in the water. Goalie Brian Brown collected 12 saves, while Hardel scored three goals, Santoro contributed two and Kain and Tomsheck each netted one in the 11-8 season-ending defeat.

The team must now say goodbye to its seniors, including Jeremy Kampp, Sanford, Swider, Tom Tracey, Pete Zak, Brian Scull, Paul Granneman and co-captains Randall and Dave Prusakowski. However, the team's future looks bright with goalie Brian Brown returning next season along with the Villanova's top scorers, Kain and Hardel. Everyone is looking forward to an exciting '97 campaign.

Watch the Volleyball team in Action

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S P O R T S

Playoff chances slip with loss to UNH

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats were unable to hold off a New Hampshire first-half barrage, being swept away in cold and wet Durham, N.H., 34-0. The loss also loosened any grip the Cats might have had on a Division I-AA playoff berth.

New Hampshire, entering the game ranked 18th in the nation, dismantled the then-No. 16 Cats in the miserable conditions of Cowell Stadium by scoring all of their points in the first half. New Hampshire tightened the proverbial defensive screws in the second half and went on to shut out the Wildcats for the first time in six years.

The Villanova offense, which entered the game first in the Yankee Conference in scoring, averaging over 30 points and 360 yards a contest, was able to muster only 279. The wet conditions and New Hampshire's aggressive defense hampered the Wildcats' West Coast style offense, which relies mainly on precision passing. Villanova was only 21 of 51 with three interceptions through the air. On the ground, the Cats' offense wasn't much better, picking up 67 yards on 27 attempts.

Villanova, who entered the game with the best turnover ratio in the Yankee Conference, committed four turnovers, two of which led to scores. New Hampshire, however, only committed one turnover, a fumble, late in the fourth quarter when the game was already decided.

Villanova's starting quarterback Clint Park was forced to leave early in the game with a separated shoulder, further hindering the Wildcats' offensive production. But before forcing him out, New Hampshire had already done enough damage to Park, as cornerback Jason Swett had intercepted him twice.

The first interception was returned 74 yards for the first touchdown of the game, just 2:57 into the opening quarter. The pick came after 'Nova had driven into New Hampshire territory and was moving closer to a score.

Swett's second interception came on the Wildcats' next possession and set up a 49-yard drive culminating in a 2-yard touchdown run by Jerry Azumah, giving New Hampshire a commanding 14-0 lead with eight and a half minutes left in the first quarter. Park was also injured on the second interception, separating his shoulder while attempting to tackle Swett.

"Swetty just made two great plays," New Hampshire Head Coach Bill Bowles said. "I think we set them back with those and I don't know if they ever recovered."

They didn't recover.

Without Park in the game, the offense was even more ineffective, as backup Chris Boden could not move the Wildcats down the field, completing 19 of 47 passes for 199 yards with one interception. Boden had difficulties completing the longer passes, directing Villanova into New Hampshire territory only once, where the Wildcats were eventually forced to give up the ball on downs.

"I thought this was going to be a four-to-three-touchdown game, a wire job, but when you don't have your trigger guy, that makes it tough," said Head Coach Andy Talley of the loss of Park.

New Hampshire also shut down probable All-American wide receiver Brian Finneran. Finneran, who had entered the contest second in the nation with 8.67 catches per game and third in receiving yardage with 127.9 yards per game, had just three catchers for 56 yards. With Park, who focuses on Villanova's No. 1 receiver on almost every down, out of the game, Finneran was unable to produce.

Scoring Summary
First Quarter
NH Swett 79 interception return (Curry kick)
NH Azumah 2 run (Curry kick)
NH Jones 16 run (Curry kick)
Second Quarter
NH Bresnahan 8 run (Curry kick)
NH Bresnahan 16 run (kick failed)

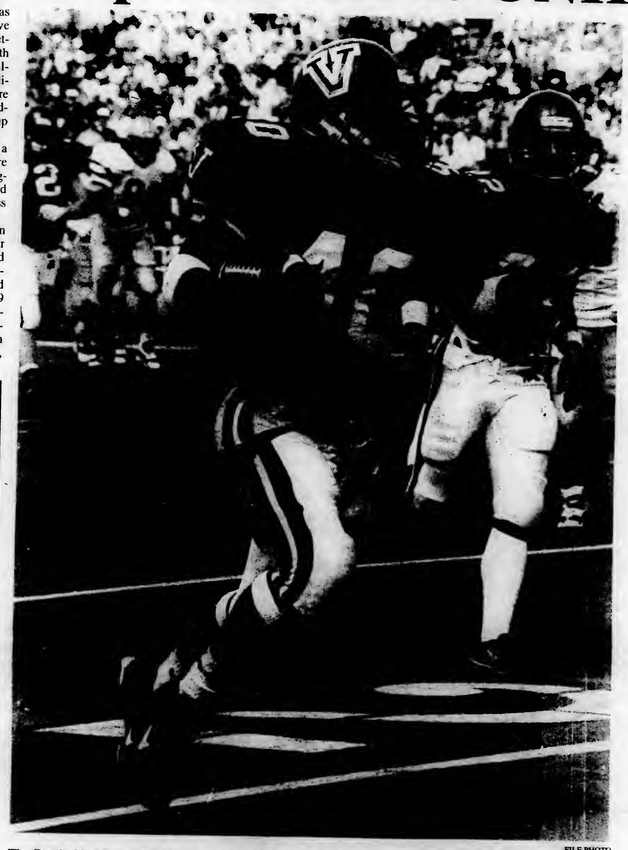
"We just could not find the ways to get him the ball," Talley said.

With little offensive production, the New Hampshire offense had control of the ball through most of the game. On the ground, 10 UNH runners combined for 237 yards while quarterback Chris Bresnahan was 12 of 15 passing for 174 yards. He also tallied touchdown runs of eight and 16 yards late in the second quarter, which capped the scoring for the game.

The Wildcats, which were shut out for the first time since a 3-0 lost to Massachusetts in 1990, fell to 7-3 overall and 5-2 in the Yankee Conference, placing them second behind William and Mary (6-1) in the Mid-Atlantic Division.

The Cats also have the same conference record as New Hampshire and James Madison, which they play tomorrow. Villanova needs to beat JMU and hope that other conference teams, such as New Hampshire and William and Mary, lose to improve their chances of making the playoffs.

"We are definitely in harm's way now," said Talley of his team's playoff chances. "We controlled our own destiny [coming into New Hampshire]. Now, if we finish 8-3, it's up to the selection committee."



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The Cats lackluster running game was only one of many offensive problems in the season-shattering defeat at New Hampshire. Senior fullback Anthony Cowsette managed 27 yards on only four carries.

Women's swimming wins two

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's swimming and diving team captured wins against Rutgers and LaSalle and a loss to Miami in last week's action, bringing its overall record to 3-1 and its Big East record to 1-1.

On Nov. 8, the Cats traveled to New Brunswick, N.J. for a dual meet against Rutgers and Miami. They were victorious over Rutgers by a 61 point margin (87-26) but recorded a loss by five points (59-54) against a tough Miami opponent. When the final swimmer touched the time pad, Miami finished in first place with 161 points, Villanova in second place with 141 points and Rutgers trailed in third with 37 points.

On the day, the Wildcats faired well in the short events and the relays. Sophomore Liz Lauwaert captured the 50 Free in 24.70 and took second in the 100 Free in 53.41. She also anchored the 400 Medley, which finished ahead of all competitors in 3:54.86.

The women also won the 400 Free relay in 3:33.66.

Also impressive was Kristin Stretankski, as she won the 200 Free in 1:53.08 and the 100 Free in 53.29. Freshman Julie Lapinsky captured the 200 Back in 2:04.01 while also leading the 400 Medley with a great start.

Another freshman, Keri Thorne, also performed well. She placed second in both the 500 Free and the 100 Free.

"The team swam very well against a competitive Miami opponent," stated Head Coach Ed Bartsch. "With Gruters injured and Cosman recovering from illness, the team still was able to swim better and faster and perform well."

On Nov. 9, the Wildcats traveled to nearby LaSalle University to face the Explorers. The Cats were victorious, winning easily, 132-95. On the day the women swept the short events, taking top honors in almost every race. In the 100 Free, Stretanski and Lauwaert placed first and second in 54.04 and 55.08, respectively. Lapinsky captured the 200 Back in 2:07.38.

In the 200 Fly, Anne-Marie Adams and Renee Scherr finished first and second in 2:09.07 and 2:12.97, respectively.

In the relays, the Cats once again captured the 400 Free. So far this season, the relay teams have consistently shown that they are able to win.

"I was happy again with the team's performance," Bartsch stated. "We always swam well against this opponent."

The team is ready to improve its record and is looking forward to capturing a sixth consecutive Big East Championship. The team will travel up to Princeton this weekend to take on the Tigers.

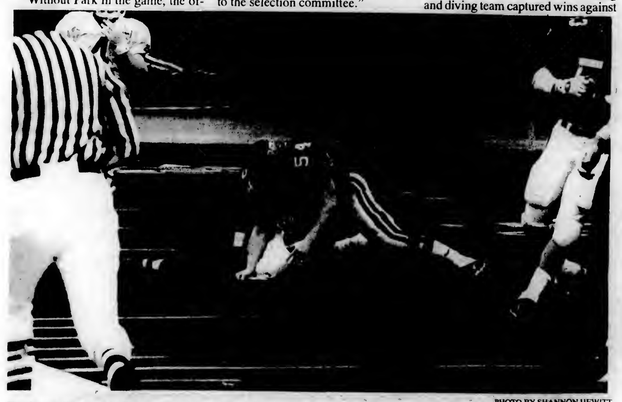

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Freshman linebacker Shaun Lyons has shown himself to be a more than adequate replacement for the injured Jason Gattuso. Lyons played up to his name in the UNH game, devouring the opponent for nine tackles.

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Nobel Laureate recites poetry

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

Nobel Laureate Seamus Heaney spoke to a large audience in the Villanova Room on Nov. 14. Heaney won the 1995 Nobel Prize in Literature for his nationalistic poetry paying homage to his homeland, Ireland.

Because of his demanding schedule, Heaney postponed last year's scheduled poetry reading. However, director of Irish Studies, James Murphy, the Student Government Association, the English Department and the Office of Academic Affairs, aided in rescheduling Heaney's Villanova appearance.

Due to both the high demand for tickets and the lack of adequate space for the reading, the event was simulcasted in the Connelly Center Cinema.

In his introduction to the reading, Murphy referred to Heaney as "the most widely read poet writing today in the English language." He continued, "It is Seamus Heaney whose work most often touches a chord in my students." Murphy payed homage to Heaney's rich textures of language, "words charged with energies of multiple alphabets and rhythms that shape Ireland's poetry," and attributed these aspects of his poetry, among many others, to Heaney's success as a writer.

Murphy described Heaney's winning of the Nobel Prize as a victory for both "the team," meaning Ireland, as well as an award for Heaney's outstanding individual achievement. "This award was greeted with jubilation throughout Ireland and wherever Irish culture was celebrated," he said. In an interview prior to the reading, Heaney admitted that winning the Nobel Prize has made him slightly more carefree. "The alternative would be unthinkable," he said jokingly.

Heaney's descriptive powers, attention to the world around him and the details of language are the distinguishing elements that make him so popular among both intellectuals and casual readers. "I do believe that poetry touches you, not by the bigness, but by the intimacy," he said. While Heaney is a provincial poet, his works branch into many areas, including childhood, his family, politics, death, the afterlife and other planes of existence. He explained, "What you need for confident writing is to sense that your subject is right."

Heaney read several poems spanning his career thus far. He began with "Digging," the first poem in his first volume, *Death of a Naturallst*. In "Digging," one of Heaney's most famous poems, he explains how he continues the legacy of the generations of farmers in his family. He uses his "squat pen" that rests between his fingers as his spade.

Heaney continued to read both later and unpublished works including, "A Sofa in the '40's," "Keeping Going," "Saint Kevin and the Blackbird," "Fossiling" and "The Skylight."

During the reading, Heaney offered some words of advise to the audience, "In art and in life, in sorrowful situations and in satisfied ones, I think there is one reverence: getting started, keeping going and getting started again. That's about it."

Near the end of the reading, Heaney recited two poems from the sonnet sequence called "Clearances," written as a memorial to his mother. These poems commemorate beating potatoes and folding sheets. "I think I'm the first Irishman to write a sheet poem . . . I'm not the first Irishman to write a potato poem," Heaney said humorously.

The reading was dedicated to the memory of Michael Durkin, a librarian at Swarthmore College and Heaney's bibliographer, who passed away in June.

Heaney donated his honorarium to Villanova's scholarship fund.

Turn to page 14 for an in-depth interview with Seamus Heaney.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

Seamus Heaney, right, and Dr. James Murphy mingle at a reception after Heaney's reading on Nov. 14.

Students informed of sexual assault risks

By JENNIFER RUDOLPH
Staff Reporter

This past week the University presented its Sexual Assault Awareness Week in the Connelly Center. Seeking to both increase awareness of sexual assault and demonstrate defensive techniques, Public Safety maintained an information desk and conducted Rape Aggression Defense System (R.A.D.) demonstrations.

In addition, Public Safety, Athletics, The Drug and Alcohol Center, Greek Affairs, and Women's Studies sponsored When No Means No, an interactive presentation on sex, dating and rape.

According to Joanna Aversa of Public Safety, the information tables that were in the Connelly Center served to make the campus more aware of sexual assault. Distributing information packets on street sense, date rape, alcohol consumption and rohypnol, Public Safety officers helped to answer and clarify student concerns.

Aversa said, "It is important that we watch out for each other."

Donna Furia, Public Safety Officer and volunteer with R.A.D., helped to conduct R.A.D. demonstrations in the Presidents Lounge of Connelly Center. Furia said, "It is important that women are educated about sexual assault." According to Furia, R.A.D., a program based out of Virginia, seeks to provide a solely defensive program for women.

Furia explained that she and five other Villanova Public Safety Officers conducted simulation training involving actual assault situations. Furia said, "R.A.D. is a very empowering course that provides its students with simple preventive techniques."

The presentation, When No Means No, concluded the University's Sexual Assault Awareness Week. Developed by a student at Tufts University, When No Means No is a five scene presentation performed by characters "Maura" and "Greg," who are college age students.

The presentation evolved from a pleasant date situation into a disturbing and accusatory date rape scenario. Following the short drama "Maura" and "Greg" remained in character to respond to student comments and concerns.

Later, Aversa; Joan Whitney, director of Counseling Center; Jeffrey Horton, director of Public Safety; Thomas DeMarco of the dean of Students Office; and Sara Midwood, a student survivor of acquaintance rape, guided further audience discussion.

Seminars such as this one lessen the fear that leaves women defenseless and vulnerable.

Gisele Daigneault, sophomore

According to Midwood, her own story of acquaintance rape becomes less painful each time she tells it. Midwood explained that after attending an off-campus party in the Spring of her freshman year, where she admits to having consumed excessive amounts of alcohol, she went back to the dorm room of a male acquaintance. There Midwood was raped. Although Midwood claims people who hear her story sometimes forget it shortly, she said, "If anyone ever gets really drunk at a party they might just think of me."

Whitney said, "I want to make students aware of the availability of free, confidential, professional counseling services at the Counseling Center." According to Whitney, the Counseling Center works with both students who have experienced sexual assault and those who have not in order to maximize personal safety.

After the presentation, sophomore Gisele Daigneault said, "I am angry because I feel threatened, but seminars such as this one lessen the fear that leaves women defenseless and vulnerable and they increase the awareness that enables women to confront and deal with issues such as rape."

Community participated in Hunger Awareness Week

By MICHAEL LLEWELLYN
Staff Reporter

November, 17 marked the beginning of the 24th annual Hunger Awareness Week at the University, a seven day campaign run by Campus Ministry that seeks to alleviate hunger around the world as well as raise students' consciousness of the issue through a series of activities and programs.

According to the Rev. Ray Jackson, O.S.A., of the Center for Peace and Justice, this year's program will send its proceeds to Oxfam America, a Boston-based relief organization which will then use the money to provide for the nutrition and education of Haitian refugees in the Dominican Republic.

In addition to Jackson, Hunger Awareness Week is run by the four-member steering committee of Eric Yip, Julia Campanero, Julie Walheim, Tim Grady and 24 other students.

A large portion of the money is raised on Fast Day, Nov.21, when students volunteer to give up their lunch meal plan. Jackson said, "During Fast Day, the University agrees to donate three dollars for every student that gives up his or her meal plan. Last year we made about $6,000." Students were able to sign up for the fast outside Dougherty Hall and St. Mary's Hall from Nov. 18 to Nov. 20. Junior Erin Mitchell said, "The student support has been good, about 50 percent but I was surprised by how many students didn't want to give up their lunch."

In addition to the Fast Day, the ROTC has planned a "Run for Hunger" to begin Nov. 23 at 11 a.m. in the South Campus parking lot. Through their sponsors, the participants are expected to raise about $1,500 for their five mile run.

The president of Oxfam, Ray Offenheiser, spoke to the University Wednesday evening. At the event, Yip accepted the organization's Organizer of the Year award, which is given to four American students who exhibit the most dedication to the cause to ending hunger each year.

One of the largest and most anticipated events of Hunger Awareness Week is the Ska concert scheduled for Friday night. According to Yip, this year's concert will be similar to the previous Ska night. The bands scheduled to perform are The Smooths, Skinny Dick and the Wranglers and FYI. Publicity for the concert has been a big concern. Yip said, "The more money we raise, the better. We're really looking for a large turnout for this event."

According to Jackson, the rest of the proceeds will come from the church's collection box, from which about $1,500 is expected. T-shirt and craft sales will serve as proceeds as well.

To pressure Congress to support anti-hunger legislation, students have also organized a letter writing campaign. Campanero said, "Anyone who is interested can write a letter to their Congressional representative. We're basically asking them to protect the hunger-safety programs that there are and support any new ones." A letter-writing table has been set up in the Connelly Center from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. every day this week.

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EDITORIALS

It's so hard to say goodbye, unless of course you're saying goodbye to an unpaid, 40 hour a week job that no one appreciates. Check out the outgoing editorial staff's parting wisdom. After weeks of trying his hand at varying issues, Marc Angelaccio comes back to the material that made him famous (not to mention got him a job as the Bucks County Secretary of State)--foreign affairs.

FEATURES

Apparently PAL had too much wisdom to impart this week in just one column, so Jim Delaney decided to disguise his piece as a Features article where he explains the true meaning of Thanksgiving. Soon to come is PAL's true meaning of Christmas, New Year's and Groundhog Day.

ENTERTAINMENT

Ann Gavaghan writes about a Screeching Weasel. Luckily, it's not her own. Also, check out a bunch of reviews of other groups nobody has ever heard of. Also, Eating on the Main Line looks at Starbucks Coffee in Ardmore. Funny, but I never knew one eats coffee. Finally, there's no need to ever read these things again because I am outta here. However, you will be able to keep up with my witty musings on the walls of your finer restrooms.

SPORTS

In light of the moving "On the Marc" piece last week which lambasted those who wager on sports, Klick went out and made a wager on the man in the middle. Unfortunately, this act has nullified Klick's NCAA bodybuilding eligibility. Speaking of Marc, how about the work Angelaccio's done covering football this year? I'm smelling Pulitzer!

University students attend rally opposing workfare

By LISA CRUZ
Staff Reporter

On Nov. 19 there was a Mass Workers Rally in Harrisburg, Pa. to protest new welfare proposals. Students from the University and local colleges joined the Kensington Welfare Rights Union in attending.

University students Fran Mikolajewski, Mike Kennedy and My Padmalingam were present at the rally against workfare, along with students from Swarthmore College, Bryn Mawr College and Eastern College.

Workfare is a program which requires people on welfare to work for their welfare checks and food stamps regardless of the availability of jobs. According to information from welfare rights unions, people on workfare are not subject to labor laws and will not receive protection from discrimination, benefits or the minimum wage. Both of these factors concern welfare rights unions. Labor unions are concerned because they fear that union workers will be fired and replaced by workfare recipients.

A rally like this showed how people can come together to fight for causes they strongly believe in.
Fran Mikolajewski

At first workfare only existed in New York, but it is now expanding nationally and is including women, children and single adults.

Mikolajewski said, "The objective of the rally was to get the unemployed and union workers together to discuss the workfare situation, however, it turned out that the people who only got to speak were the union workers."

According to Kennedy, one labor union in Philadelphia is dedicated to helping the Kensington Welfare Rights Union, by opening a Poor People's Embassy in Harrisburg, where all of Pennsylvania's homeless, unemployed and poor people will be represented. He said, "It was good to see where the labor unions stand in dealing with this issue."

Both Mikolajewski and Kennedy feel that it is important for students to show their support for issues like these and strongly encourage more students to get involved. Mikolajewski said, "A rally like this showed how people can come together to fight for causes they strongly believe in."

Top ranked Steffi Graf serves the ball. PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

DuPont Pavilion hosts tennis tournament

Press Release

The Advanta Championships, a premier international women's tennis tournament, was held at the duPont Pavilion , Nov. 11 to Nov. 17. Dennis Alter, chairman of Advanta Corporation said that having the tournament at Villanova was " a bonus for everyone--players , fans who love tennis, the community and our tournament charity, the Linda Creed Breast Cancer Foundation. The Pavilion is located in a tennis-loving community and is easily commutable from all parts of the region."

Seven of the Top 10 international players participated in the event. Stefi Graf, the top ranked woman in the world, played No. 4 Jana Novotna in the final. Novotna won the first set 6-4. Graf then decided to forfeit the match because of chronic back pains. Novotna won $450,000 in prize money with the championship.

In honor of the tournament's move to Villanova from Philadelphia, Advanta Corp. challenged the Delaware Valley to participate actively in the Advanta Championships through "Locals vs. Legends Mixed Doubles Tournament." At least 50 local tennis clubs committed to participate and hosted the mixed doubles tournament in August. Two finalist teams stood up to the challenge and played the tennis pros during the Championships on Nov. 16, at the Pavilion.

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"We are honored to host this prestigious tennis tournament on the Villanova University campus. I know it will be well-supported by those living on the Main Line," said Gene DeFilippo, athletic director.

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Health Center will improve

By KATIE LOPER
Staff Reporter

The Health Center Improvement Team (HCI), as part of the Student Government Association, has been working closely with the health center to forge ahead with improvements due to concerns over the past year.

The Health Center was built in the 1940's and hasn't had any changes made to it, even with the enormous increase of on-campus students, especially with the addition of the West Campus apartments. There is poor handicap accessibility, and there are no beds on the same level as the nurses, creating problems for, the caregiver and patient.

According to Maureen Finan, who is part of the Health Center Improvement team, Dr. Denis A. Boyle , a physician at the Health Center, is supportive of the concerns of the students, and at the same time is supportive of the changes that could be implemented. A suggestion box was placed in the infirmary last spring, yet no suggestions have been received in this box since. A voice mailbox has been set up at 8-CURE. To reach this, 9-6000 has to first be dialed and then the directions have to be followed. This is to be used as a tool, where students can voice their concerns, problems, and stories. All of the concerns received on the voice mailbox will be taken to the administration as first priority.

The HCI is aiming to find better ways to improve what the Health Center has. It is investigating other colleges that are generally considered on the same level as Villanova. They are trying to see what the other schools have in terms of their health care and are trying to implement those changes here at the University. Another idea the HCI wants to put into effect is having a nurse practitioner available on those hours that the doctor is not. The students would then have more flexibility in going to the Health Center with their problems by having a physician or nurse practitioner help them.

FILE PHOTO

Middleton Health Center calls for improvement in its services.

Students celebrate Indian New Year

By KELLY BLEVINS
Staff Reporter

To celebrate Diwali, the Indian new year, the South Asian Multicultural Organized Student Association (SAMOSA), will host a dinner and cultural show on Sunday Nov. 24 in conjunction with the Villanova Indian Student Association (VISA), which is comprised of graduate students.

Sarika Shah, president of SAMOSA, said, "Diwali, or the festival of lights, is observed annually at the time of the New Moon which falls between October and November. It is a joyous celebration for many South Asians and is celebrated in diverse ways." She said, "The actual holiday was Nov. 10, but we choose to commemorate it on Nov. 24."

The festival has grown tremendously over the last few years.
Sarika Shah, SAMOSA president

The cultural celebration will consist of two parts. The first is a full course meal of exotic Indian cuisine catered by the Palace of Asia, a popular area restaurant. Food from the region of Punjabi, in northern India, will be served.

Following the dinner will be a cultural show consisting of traditional dances representing the various regions of India, a fashion show featuring traditional Indian clothing, vocal performances of the country's popular songs by students, and a humorous skit by the members of VISA. Preparations for the show have been in the works for several weeks as the performers organize and choreograph their talents.

Between 40 and 50 members of SAMOSA will take part in the entertainment portion of the evening. An example of the culture that will be sampled during the night is a dance that eight of these members will perform--Bahngraa, traditional Punjabi folk dance. The dance is fast-moving and set to traditional music. Nadeea Saeed, one of the dancers, said, "Though the dance and all of the practices were tiring, it was a lot of fun and we are looking forward to showing off our hard work on Sunday."

The festival will be held in the Villanova Room beginning at 5 p.m. on Sunday and is open to the public. Tickets, which cost $8, have been sold in Connelly throughout the week.

SAMOSA hopes to draw more than two-hundred people to the event to raise levels of knowledge and appreciation for Indian culture on campus.

"SAMOSA and VISA host the Diwali celebration every year as one of our main events. The festival has grown tremendously over the last few years and we are hoping for similar success this year," said Shah.

West campus roofs need repair due to faulty material

By BILL LAWRENCE
Staff Reporter

Since the first week of September, contractors have been repairing the roofs of the West Campus apartments due to the faulty material used in building the roofs, according to John Gallen, executive director of Facilities Management.

Gallen said the roofs were installed only three years ago with a material produced by Superdora. This material is more cost efficient than other substances, and it had a good reputation for more than 30 years. Unbeknownst to the University, Superdora changed the materials of its product in order to solve asbestos problems. This change caused the material to become more brittle and susceptible to the wear and tear of weather. As it stands now, all the West Campus roofs will need repairing.

Gallen also said that the University has taken up a class action lawsuit against Superdora, along with many companies and contractors. For this reason Superdora has been forced to file for bankruptcy. The University is seeking compensation for the faulty material. Gallen said, "The court procedures are usually long and drawn out, so we probably won't see any compensation for a few years."

In the mean time, students in the West Campus apartments will have to keep listening to the ongoing construction. "There have been complaints that the repairs are taking too long, but to do the repairs right is a long and tedious process," said Gallen. The damages are not just on the exterior roof, but on the interior as well, making the repair process longer. "Taking the old stuff off is more dangerous than putting the new stuff on, so we really have to take our time with the old stuff," he said.

DeRoss Contractors have been working on the roofs since the first week of September, replacing the Superdora material with asphalt. Welsh Hall was in the worst condition, so it was the first to undergo repairs. "Contractors hope to have Welsh done by the first Saturday after Thanksgiving, but sometime after Christmas is more likely," said Gallen.

The delays can be attributed to bad weather causing poor and, at times, dangerous working conditions. Due to the delays and type of work involved, the repairs are not expected to be completed until the end of next spring.

"This is an unfortunate situation for all involved...it was a bad break that no one could possibly foresee," said Gallen.

Impact of deferred Rush examined by committee

By DOMINICK MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

The Student Life Committee, a sub-committee of the University Senate, received a copy of the "White Paper" last Friday and will examine the impact of deferred Greek Rush on Villanova's campus.

The Student Life Committee will be holding a series of closed forums every Monday for the rest of the semester in order to hear every position on the matter.

The percentage of students involved in the Greek community has grown from 13 percent in 1982 to approximately 35 percent today, according to the director of Greek Affairs Gary Bonas. Bonas, the dean of Students, Rev. John P. Stack, O.S.A., Interfraternity Council president, Neil Holland and Panhellenic president, Meghan Joyce all agree that if freshman Rush is eliminated it will greatly change the Greek community. Now it is up to the Senate to read the statistics and hear the arguments concerning just how deferring Rush will effect Greeks in terms of stereotyping, leadership, finance and membership.

For the creation of the "White Paper," schools which have decided to switch to sophomore year Rush, (among other sources) were consulted.

Records from Dartmouth University, which switched to sophomore Rush four years ago, and Dickenson, which changed six years ago, show that some weak fraternity and sorority chapters became weaker due to the postponement of Rush.

Under the sophomore Rush system students had a whole year to be influenced by stereotypes, and according to Dickenson research this led to more emotional disasters.

"Villanova is a campus which thrives on image," stated Bonas. Both Holland and Joyce agree with Bonas and infer that many chapters on this campus will be hurt, not because they are lesser Greek organizations, but because they are not as established as others.

Fraternities and sororities will also be wounded economically by a deferred Rush. In fact, no matter what year the plan began, if it was implemented, fraternities and sororities will have financial difficulties. According to Holland, Greeks will not have the new members' financial support to tackle the burden of fixed costs of national chapter existence.

Dickenson incurred the same financial burdens which Joyce believes will result when some organizations graduate too high a number at one time. Bonas agrees that the Greek community will need financial support at least early on with such a change.

Stack said that the administration will do all that it sees necessary to make sure that Greeks will not be too badly hurt because of financial difficulties.

However, the benefits of deferring Rush and postponing membership is seen as a positive change in terms of pledging, according to both Bonas and Stack. "With all the problems associated with pledging and all the misbehavior that goes on, if it were a semester later those students who were involved might feel a little more comfortable saying, 'No, I'm not going to submit myself to hazing,'" said Bonas.

Hazing is not the only issue which causes pledging to be seen in a negative light. This University's past statistics show that there is a significant decline in GPAs of new fraternity members from fall of freshman year to the spring (pledge period) and in some cases the decline is three-tenths and four-tenths of a point, continues Bonas.

However, the Syracuse University Greek System Review report which was completed in the fall of 1995 by the Division of Student Affairs states, "It appears that Greek affiliation for

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Dr. Barry Young remembered

By COLLEEN CASEY
Staff Reporter

Dr. Barry S. Young, former associate professor of sociology and the women's assistant soccer coach, died of lung cancer on Oct. 4 at age 59. He left behind his wife, Lilian Nardone Young, and two sons who live in Havertown.

Young, a native of New York, received his B.A. from Pace College in New York in 1964. He earned his master's degree and a doctorate in sociology of the law from Fordham University. Young retired from Villanova in 1993 after over 30 years of teaching.

"He was really well liked by the students because he brought in his own value system," said Professor Bob Langran of political science. "Dr. Young was very informal, not pretentious; he did not put on airs," he added.

"Dr. Young had a unique teaching style. He never stood in the front of the classroom reading from lecture notes. Instead he engaged the students in discussions,"said William B. Waegel, department of sociology chairperson. "My memories center around a constant stream of students coming to see him outside the classroom. I believe that is testimony to his popularity and attractiveness as a teacher."

Besides teaching, Young was the assistant soccer coach and an academic advisor in athletics for 12 years. Henry Nichols of human services said, "Dr. Young was very loyal to Villanova in academics as well as athletics."

According to Shelly Chamberlain, women's head soccer coach, Young was instrumental in the recruiting process as well as taking an active role in the student athlete's academic life.

Chamberlain said, "He devoted many hours of service to the women's soccer team as a volunteer coach. As a coach and friend I am going to institute the Dr. Barry Young Award that will be awarded to the athlete that fits the unselfish character of Dr. Young."

COURTESY OF LILIAN YOUNG

The late Dr. Young showed compassion toward his players and his students.

Administration and students on Rush

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first-year students negatively impacts their GPA. However, upon closer examination of the data, one can note that the impact that pledging has on first-year students' GPA depends upon the chapter with which he/she affiliates."

Holland said that Villanova University should conduct its own research into the overall Greek community before seeking deferring Rush as its first option.

Holland and Joyce, as leaders of the Greek community, contend that it is a positive aspect in ones college career and see deferred Rush as postponing this crucial development.

A report from Carney Strange (1986), professor of Higher Education at Bowling Green State University, was cited in the Syracuse report as stating, "It [the Greek system] has an effective method of attracting, orienting and matriculating new members. It provides members with a chance for meaningful achievement and leadership in various roles under the guidance and mentorship of more advanced members."

Stack challenges this statement, and similar ones, arguing that the freshmen/senior relationship is overrated in the University's Greek community.

He believes that often times the fraternities and sororities on campus are run by sophomores and not by seniors. The members often go "inactive" by their senior year, said Stack.

Bonas agrees with Stack and sees delaying involvement in fraternities and sororities for one more semester as a way not to lose the seniors quite so early.

Holland argues this point by stating that one should not put a two-year life on Greek involvement. The values and rituals need to be more emphasized so that one's membership in the Greek community extends past the two-year life which Bonas places upon it, added Holland.

This delaying of involvement will only weaken leadership training, furthers Joyce. She adds that members will be filling leadership positions after only one semester of membership. Her opinion is supported by Greek members of both Lafayette University and Muhlenberg College where members believe that they are thrown into leadership roles too soon under their new sophomore Rush program.

Another problem facing the Greek community is the shear fact of numbers. While Villanova has no current statistical data of its own concerning percentage of involvement or retention, there are statistics which can be applied from the University's past experiences and from other schools' findings.

In 1987, when Villanova moved sorority Rush from the fall of freshman year to the spring, student involvement went up and so did retention.

In the majority of the cases studied, including Dickenson and Muhlenberg, there was a declining effect after deferring Rush, however this effect also leveled off after a year or two in nearly all of these cases.

This plan, even if implemented, is in no way the beginning of the end for Greek life on this campus. However, there are some Greek members who feel that deferred Rush would cause the downfall of their particular chapter.

The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi, in particular, are worried that if the plan was implemented for the class of 2001 that the sorority, graduating over 50 members, would lose its chapter recognition. This chapter was established on campus about a year ago and Holland and Joyce are hoping that if Rush were to be deferred, then it would not be implemented for another two or three years, so that young sororities and fraternities will have a fair opportunity.

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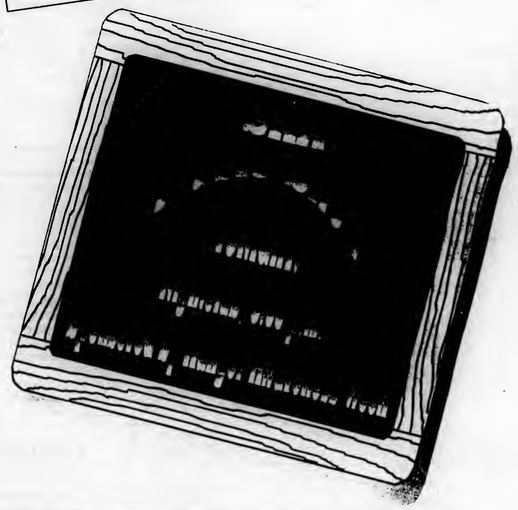

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Raising the level of discussion on campus.

Editorial Board bids farewell

So it's finally time for us to move on. We realize that certain campus factions welcome this news with jubilation and, frankly, so do we.

Sure, it's been a good 12 months. In fact, our year as *Villanovan* editors has allowed us to do things few other college students could ever hope to do. From spending time in the locker room with the basketball team to staking out the duPont mansion, we had our fair share of excitement. The University administration, despite our frequent critiques, was, for the most part, a joy to work with. Indeed, the warm relationships we made with such figures as Father Dobbin and Gene DeFilippo will stand out in our memory. For sure, we came to appreciate the administrators' jobs much more, even if we still have trouble seeing eye to eye on a lot of issues.

We took seriously our job of reporting the news, but our greatest joy came from providing a forum for campus discussion. It was indeed rewarding to see the truly remarkable participation level of the students and faculty, as they flooded our office with letters each week. There is no other weekly campus medium, thus we encourage the campus to stay involved through the paper. While we'd like to believe that our editorials had something to do with framing the issues, we take heart in the fact that discussions will continue long after our drivel has disapeared from this section.

So what have we learned about this school?

Too often, students don't take advantage of their stay here. Never again will we be put in an environment with 6,000 people our age who don't have the responsibilties of supporting a family, paying a mortgage, or such. Sure, we have financial concerns, but we're still pretty far removed from the real world. Unfortunately, we often waste this priveleged situation, leaving so many avenues and opportunities unexplored.

Getting a degree from Villanova is okay, but if that is all you walk away with, you're simply cheating yourself. Villanova is not an academic pressure cooker, so students have the opportunity to find educational experiences outside of the classroom.

There were other lessons, to be sure. We came to appreciate more that words and ideas have consequences, and, on just about every issue, there will be supporters and detractors. It is this kind of dialectic that forms the heart of a profitable campus discussion.

We'll miss our co-workers, but we probably won't miss the weekly marathons into the wee hours of the morning. We wish the new editorial board the best of luck. We may complain a lot, but this job was truly rewarding. A good portion of the campus probably didn't appreciate our efforts, but we leave grateful for the opportunity.

Of course, we had our shortcomings (is that spelled right?), but we leave satisfied. *The Villanovan* is now on the Internet and we'd like to think that we played at least a minor role in "Raising the Level of Discussion" on campus.

L E T T E R S

Pepsi responds to allegations

To the Editor:

Recently, PepsiCo, Inc., sold it's minority stake in Pepsi Products Myanmar, Ltd. Therefore, we have no assets or employees in Burma and we no longer pay local taxes there. Our involvement is limited to a contractual obligation with a local, privately-owned franchise bottler.

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It has long been our belief that international trade enhances development and, ultimately, freedom and liberty. However, we also listen to and care about the concerns of our consumers, customers and investors. That is why we sold our stake in the business in Burma.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify our position on this matter. I hope that I have responded sufficiently to your concerns.

Philip E. Swink
Director, Governmental Affairs
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Publicity of freshman rape should have been handled differently

To the Editor:

While walking through the Connelly Center last Friday afternoon, I approached the candy counter to pick up the latest edition of *The Villanovan*. Eagerly anticipating another enjoyable issue, I was startled and surprised to see the headline jumping out at me, "Freshman jogger raped on Lancaster." Having to read it a second time to convince myself that I had seen it correctly, I immediately felt a sense of sadness and disappointment. Being a senior, I have great respect for *The Villanovan* and its staff. In the past three and a half years, I have come to consider this newspaper one of my favorite symbols of Villanova. What I saw on that day disturbed me so greatly that I was compelled to write this letter, not to reprint that awful headline, but to question the ethical perspective from which it was presented. While I understand that *The Villanovan* was only performing its main purpose of reporting the news, I do believe that the publicizing of the incident could have been handled in much more tactful way. Insensitive and thoughtless were two words that immediately came to my mind that Friday afternoon. Villanova embodies the ideals of compassion and respect for everyone in its community. Sadly, I did not find these qualities in this glaring headline. Imagine if you were the victim and you were walking through Connelly Center. This headline jumped right out at you. Then you went to Bartley for class and saw it again. Then you went to Dougherty Hall for lunch and saw it again. Imagine how devastated that girl must have felt from seeing her painful memory being plastered across the front page of the University newspaper. Even worse, this headline displayed to the community this insensitivity not only on paper, but on the internet for all the world to see. This is a disgrace.

We should be opening up our arms to this poor girl and comforting her in this time of pain. We should practice our motto of love and allow this student, a member of our own community, to heal and feel safe again.

Also, not specifically directed only to the newspaper, people should not be dwelling on the fact that she was jogging at 2 a.m. Are we all so perfect that none of us has ever made a mistake before? Have you never walked back to your dorm from a computer lab at 2 a.m.? How many times has anyone actually called Public Safety for an escort back to their dorm late at night? We should not be passing judgement. Instead we should be looking to learn something from this tragic event. Perhaps now people will be more willing to ask for the protective services that Public Safety offers to us.

Even though I believe *The Villanovan* erred greatly in printing such a harsh headline and the community erred greatly in questioning her judgement, hopefully the victim can feel the love and support that our community does offer to her. Perhaps it is even wrong for me to be writing this letter and reminding her of the tragedy, but I would just like her to know that my thoughts and prayers are with her.

Carla M. Generose
R.A. Stanford Hall

Hauck family extends thanks

To the Editor:

We want to take advantage of this special season of the year to again thank the Villanova community for the many wonderful things it has done for us in the past. The concern and attention to Joey's passing continues to give us much comfort. We love sitting on Joey's bench and checking the time. We have seen many people during some of our frequent visits to the clock and Corr Chapel.

To all of our very dear friends, young and old, too many to single out by name, we thank you for your kindness and prayers. We think of you constantly, remember you always, and hold you in a precious part of our hearts forever. Happy Holidays to all of you with our fondest thoughts and love.

The Hauck Family

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

More attention should be focused on foreign affairs

By MARC ANGELACCIO

In our recent political arena, where egocentric issues involving economics and social concerns have been hot topics, foreign affairs has been placed on the back burner. Even in the last presidential debate over a month ago, the moderator had to plead with the audience for a foreign-affairs question. What did he get? A question about trade with Japan that brought responses from Dole and Clinton about *our* tariff system and the effect it has on *our* economy. Needless to say, foreign affairs has been missing from political discourse for months.

Yet, global events always have a way of sneaking up and catching us off-guard. The simmering pot that is foreign affairs is ready to boil over into a full-fledged kitchen fire. Just in the past couple of weeks, our global neighbors have been making noise, and, if you haven't heard, we've responded. Here are some of the more major issues to mull over:

--Rwandan refugees, accompanied by images of mass death, have been fleeing to Zaire for relief. In response, the White House announced that the United States agreed to send 1,000 troops to the area to aid a Canadian-led humanitarian relief effort.

--There is tentative calm in Bosnia, yet President Clinton has decided not to withdraw troops from the area, as he promised a year ago. Instead, he agreed to extend the peace keeping mission for another 18 months. By the way, Croatian President Franjo Tudjman, a key figure for maintaining the current peace in the Balkans, has been admitted to a Washington hospital suffering from cancer.

--Another sick leader, Russian President Boris Yeltsin, recently underwent quintuple-bypass (that's *five* coronary arteries bypassed, for those who don't remember their Latin roots) surgery in a country already suffering from instability.

When Yeltsin was in the hospital, 13 Russian soldiers died when a bomb exploded in a military compound in Chechnya, a republic that has been fighting for 21 months to achieve independence from Russia. If I remember correctly, this new Russia with its feuding republics can still take out a U.S. city on a whim with one of those "weapons of mass destruction." Supposedly China and North Korea can do the same thing if they feel like it.

These are just some of the major "extra-curricular" problems that have not been discussed anywhere, at least until we finally reacted to them.

It seems that when things outside the United States don't seem to affect us directly. We often fall into an isolationist mentally, thinking that whatever little thing happens out there won't affect us here. Foreign affairs, especially during times of apparent world stability, disappears into the background of issues that need not be discussed. This occurrence is all too common in a country which believes it is the strongest in the world and which believes that it affects its neighbors more than it's neighbors effect it.

The dissolving and reemergence of foreign affairs has become a common pattern in our history. During the Cold War, foreign affairs were often on our collective minds. Yet, since the "end" of the war, we've played a minimal part in the restructuring of the new European Community.

Unfortunately, in today's new world community, where countries are changing governments and boundaries by the minute, and each country is connected to the other economically or otherwise, we can no longer turn our eyes solely upon ourselves. We can no longer look at foreign affairs as something no one wants to talk about until something has to be done. By the time we talk about it, it might be too late.

Amendment key to budget battle

By JOE PATTERSON

It appears as though one of the first actions Congress will take when it reconvenes in January will be to vote on a balanced budget amendment. This past week, President Clinton has gone back and forth on the issue. On one day, he claimed that an acceptable version could be crafted. The next day, his aides scurried about to quell the reaction, saying that Clinton still opposed such an amendment.

Fortunately for America, a constitutional amendment does not require the approval of the executive branch. As any veteran of a high school government class knows, the normal process for the ratification of an amendment requires approval from three-fourths of the nation's state legislatures. Further, the amendment can be proposed by a two-thirds vote from both houses of Congress or by two-thirds of the state legislatures asking Congress to call a national convention to propose the amendment. Of course, the latter process hasn't occurred since prohibition was repealed in 1933.

So, it seems as though Congress has the responsibility to get the ball rolling. And it plans to do just that come January, with or without the President's blessing.

Sure, Mr. Clinton's approval could only help the cause. He opposed the measure back in 1995, contributing to its one-vote Senate defeat. But after the November elections, it seems as though the Republican Senate will be able to do better than the 67 votes needed.

The mood in the House is also optimistic, even with the election losses of several amendment supporters. The proposal sailed through with 300 votes last time, 10 more than necessary. This time around, it might be closer, but the 17 fiscal conservatives among the 45-member Democratic freshmen class could provide the margin for victory.

If the amendment was accepted by Congress, it would then be up to the states to ratify it.

So what would a balanced budget mean?

For one, it would prevent certain politicians from shrinking away from their campaign promises as soon as the necessary cuts for a balanced budget became politically dangerous.

More importantly, it would make it illegal to continue the selfish pillaging of the next generation's collective income. There is something clearly unethical about the prospect of today's politicians writing checks that tomorrow's workers will have to pay. The spend-happy government has become too comfortable "borrowing" from future generations to finance its pet projects, buying votes in the process.

Since a large amount of the tax revenue goes to servicing the debt, a balanced budget would help lessen this burden. Further, it would force the government to trim itself down, hopefully bringing it closer to the principle of limited government on which this nation was founded.

Countless figures could be used to illustrate the long-term implications of prolonged deficit spending, but opponents of the amendment raise concerns that transcend the issue of selfishness. For example, what happens if the country is drawn into a large-scale war or some other emergency? Or what happens if the economy slows down dramatically?

Firstly, the amendment was drafted to allow Congress, by a three-fifths vote, to waive the balanced-budget requirements in the face of an urgent situation. Secondly, fiscal measures have had decidedly mixed results in dampening the downturns associated with the business cycle. Nevertheless, if Keynesian measures were deemed necessary, Congress could easily grant a recession "urgent situation" status.

So it seems as though opponents of the measure are grasping for straws in order to continue to push responsibility further into the future. Still, Mr. Clinton will have an opportunity to prove he is serious about his campaign pledge. He submits his budget, with or without a constitutional amendment, in February.

In any event, all this amendment talk is interesting. It has been 25 years since the last one, which gave 18-year olds the right to vote. It takes a serious issue to warrant an amendment. Clearly, a balanced budget is such an issue.

Community must blame the rapist and comfort the victim

By ANN GAVAGHAN

At the beginning of this century, it was not uncommon for a young woman to require the assistance of a chaperone to see her to and from parties and events. To travel unescorted would be nothing short of a scandal.

Now we are nearing the end of this century. In the ensuing time, women made a great many strides toward personal freedom. We can vote, own property, hold jobs and do many other things that men have taken for granted. Women's liberation has changed the way Americans view gender issues.

I was raised to believe that my sex would not prohibit me from doing anything that I set my mind to. Females are making greater strides than ever before in conquering prejudice. How ironic, then, that society seems to be returning to the idea that women are feeble creatures who need escorts, just like at the beginning of the century.

A woman from Villanova was raped last week.

To most people on campus, the story isn't as simple as that. They would have added, "while jogging at 2 a.m.," as if that were somehow relevant to the story. I've heard a lot of people say that she was stupid for jogging alone at 2 a.m.

But does that justify a rape? I know, I know--when people say she was jogging at 2 a.m., they aren't saying she should have been raped for it. Just like when a woman dresses provocatively, she shouldn't be raped for it. Or if she goes out and drinks, like most people on this campus do, she shouldn't be raped for it.

Isn't it funny that when a woman *is* raped, we all look at the circumstances surrounding the case? It is rare that you will find a blameless rape victim, because, after all, she probably did something that led to the rape somehow. If *she* hadn't been drinking, or if *she* hadn't be out jogging at 2 a.m., or if *she* had dressed a little differently, then no rape would have occurred. Frankly, under these criterion, even the Virgin Mary would be suspect after a rape, because, after all, *she* had a child out of wedlock.

No one seems to focus on the rapist. He's the one committing the offense. Can we even suppose for a second that if that woman hadn't been jogging at 2 a.m., *her rapist wouldn't* have raped someone else? After all, what was he doing driving around in the middle of the night? I don't think he was on his way to the Wawa. He was out to rape, and this woman happened to be the unfortunate one he managed to rape. It isn't her fault at all.

If a man happened to be out alone at night, and was robbed, would anyone question the crime? In all likelihood, he would garner our sympathy. Why does a double standard exist in our society?

I like being independent. I like living on my own. I like taking late night walks around campus by myself. And yet, I should somehow be careful simply because I'm not male? I do not like being suspicious of strange men. I do not like seeing baby-faced teenaged girls carrying mace on their keychains. I do not like the "rape whistle" that my mother bought me. I refuse to live my life in fear. I refuse to be constantly on guard. I refuse to accept a culture that silently implies "victim" after woman. My gender should not preclude me from doing anything, and I have plenty of other things to do than spend my time worrying about preserving my "virtue." One of the things I'm doing with my time now is getting very angry at Villanova's reaction to the sexual assault on this woman.

Rape happens, and it is wrong. It's *time to stop rape, not blame those who* have been raped. No one deserves to be raped. No one should be raped. And a person who has just gone through the trauma of rape needs support, not our campus's surreptitious whispers of "she was asking for it" or "boys will be boys." Boys have been boys long enough. It's time for them to grow up and help take rape from a women's concern to a human concern.

Take a stand: speak your mind

By KAREN GOULART

This is it, the end, the grand finale. This column marks the close of my adventures in college journalism. So here it is, my one last tangent. As the venerable John Michael Stipe once said, "This is my mistake, let me make it good." Gosh darn it. Look what I just did. I am about to speak my final peace, utter my editorial last, and I am starting out with a qualifying statement. I was going to launch into a diatribe about how I have been lucky enough to have a forum in which my opinions can be voiced, and how everyone should realize that *The Villanovan* is a forum for their voices too, but I already interrupted myself. Oh well, I guess I am just a product of my environment.

You could say I'm a pretty big cheese around here, associate editor, second in command, a smaller-eared, female Mr. Spock--you get the picture. But nevertheless, speaking up, entering this 'forum,' is still a scary venture. I mean, take a look around. Is what I want to say going to get me in trouble? Will I be shunned, chided and/or reprimanded? If you listen to who's doing the talking at this University, it would only make sense that some of what I might want to say isn't going to be well received. Maybe I'm going overboard. Maybe not.

Let me offer an example of what I'm talking about as a starting point. Villanova has no women's studies major. "Yeah, so?" Yeah, so this is an embarrassment. The absence serves as a reminder that there is an overall, singular logic here that will not be tampered with by the infiltration of 'alternative' ideas. This is just one of the things that makes the University's attempts at 'diversity' seem so lame. The current policies seem to be working as means to the academy's desired ends, so why change them? There is no further input required because everything is "as it should be."

When they say there aren't enough funds or there isn't enough interest to make women's studies a major, what they are really saying is they don't find this field of study legitimate. If you want to take it even further, it could be perceived as a simple fear of change. Patriarchal privilege is assumed as a precondition all the way from top of this University, down to the students in its classrooms. This straight male privilege contradicts the essential, theoretical requirement of a non-majority-controlled forum where a heterogeneous multiplicity of perspectives might, and ought to, converge.

Villanova has a fledgling gay, lesbian and bisexual support group. Did you know this? It's been advertised in the FYI section of this newspaper. If you haven't heard of it, you're probably not alone. It's pretty much covered over with 'anonymity' and 'confidentiality.' The word anonymous carries a lot of connotative baggage. People often seek anonymity when they have done something socially or morally wrong and want to quietly correct it. Or, if someone fears physical or mental rebuke, they tend to want to stay anonymous. So what does all this say about the support group? Is the University sending a message that some social or moral wrongdoing has been committed? Is this anonymity attractive because it protects the members of the group from the rest of campus, or because it protects the rest of campus from the members of the group?

Either way, the end result is silence on the part of the 'other.' It's important to ask questions like this, since if other voices remain unheard, their silence plays into the illusion of an absence of difference. Such illusion will allow for the re-emergence of a singular logic which might, again, pass itself off as a multiplicity.

So what am I saying? I'm saying there are many ways of knowing the world. I'm saying they are all valid, despite what the University might think. I'm saying other than when we were little, we are never as impressionable as we are right now. I'm saying this may be the last time in our lives when our minds have the ability to be truly open. I'm saying be a deviant in your thoughts and in your actions. I'm saying open your mouth and speak your own words, not the ones that have been fed to you. I'm saying bring your true voice, your way of knowing the world, to the forum--we can only benefit from it. I'm saying good luck. I'm saying goodbye.

Concerns over student alcohol problem persists

Key to success is education, not inebriation

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to a letter written by Joe Keohane in *The Villanovan*'s last issue regarding the campus alcohol policy. In his letter, Keohane maintains that "students drink anyway" because going out to party is equivalent to "basically [acting] like college kids," and therefore, the University should lighten its penalties for underage drinking and for bringing alcohol on campus.

While I do agree with Mr. Keohane when he says that students are going to drink whether it is allowed or not, I found his arguments very disturbing. Mr. Keohane's perception of drinking being a normal and almost necessary aspect of college life seems to reflect the perception of many whom I have encountered on campus. It is this perception alone which is the root of the problem. Stiffer penalties are not going to help as long as students believe that drinking is something that they are supposed to do. Movies such as "Animal House" have tainted the thinking of my generation, and the primary goal of many of my fellow freshmen is to get as drunk as possible as often as possible.

While I see absolutely nothing wrong with relaxing after a hard week and "throwing back a few" once in awhile, the level to which it has been taken is almost scary. It is a constant in my dorm that every Friday and Saturday night there will be alcohol readily available and there will be drunks stumbling around. People look forward to getting drunk over the weekend all week, and their primary concern during days when they should be focusing on classes is where they are going to score their beer.

The primary goal of my generation, and all generations, should be to use their opportunity in school to educate themselves, not drink themselves into oblivion. Until this perception is changed, people are going to continue to get drunk as often as possible, and it is people like Mr. Keohane who perpetuate this view. If you want to drink once in awhile, that's fine by me, but don't drink because you feel that you have to as a student of this University.

I do agree with Mr. Keohane, however, when he says the University is handling the situation in the wrong way. Fines are necessary, whether we like them or not, because it is against the law to drink underage. Whether I agree with this law or not (and whether I myself choose to break this law) is another argument entirely, but if you get caught for breaking the law, then you have to pay the penalty. My question is: What is this money used for? I feel that the best way to lessen drinking problems is for the University to provide more activities to serve as alternatives to drinking over the weekend. CAT is doing a great job at providing exciting opportunities for people to have fun who choose not to drink, but it simply isn't enough. People are going to drink if they feel there is nothing better to do on a Friday night.

If the University can help students learn that they can have fun without getting drunk, then the perception that students must drink will be dispelled

David Yeager
Class of 2000

Acting like a college kid is no excuse for alcohol abuse

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Joe Keohane's letter entitled "Concern About Alcohol is Absurd," which appeared in the Nov. 15 issue of *The Villanovan*. As a fellow member of the student body here at Villanova University, I must tell you that I disagree with several of the thoughts expressed in the letter. From my experience, I found Mr. Keohane's comments to be unfactual. If his goal was to express the sentiments of the "average member of the student body," then I must "chuckle" at his attempt.

From "his experience," Mr. Keohane believes that the administration is "bent on correcting this fabricated alcohol problem." I find it difficult to believe that after less than three semesters here at Villanova University, he can see right through the efforts of the administration, efforts that he claims falsely "sway the student body by telling us all the bad effects of alcohol."

I would like to refer Mr. Keohane to pages 13 and 14 of the Alcohol Task Force report in order to visualize for him and others that these concerns have not been "fabricated." We must realize that this is not a crusade against alcohol use, but rather an attempt to correct alcohol abuse.

As a senior, I have a different "experience" of this situation from that of Mr. Keohane. I think it is very important to focus our attention, students as well as faculty, on raising our awareness of the harmful effects of alcohol abuse. Mr. Keohane claims that the University has hidden motives to make our student body alcohol free and to "halt the use of alcohol on campus." In fact, if you take an in-depth look at the Task Force report, it pushes the University towards being "a community free of alcohol abuse."

It is this abuse that is negatively affecting our University. We should be a community which "supports an ethic of caring for others, and which discourages the use of any substance from becoming an obstacle to [our] optimal personal development." I have a problem with Mr. Keohane's philosophy that a bunch of "drunk kids" stumbling around campus is better than a bunch of "drunk kids" stumbling around town. They are both "obstacles" and clearly lead to not only problems within the Villanova Community, but also personal problems that can negatively affect one's experience here at Villanova.

After nearly four years here, I have witnessed various examples of the negative effects of alcohol abuse. For example, it occurs when the excessive use of alcohol by one person infringes on the rights of another individual. Acts of vandalism, verbal and physical fights, and assaults are several ways that I have seen alcohol abused. When used responsibly, I have rarely seen negative effects of alcohol. It is when it is consumed in excessive amounts that alcohol has negatively influenced my experience. Unfortunately, we never stop to think about these things until we are forced to by some sort of tragedy that really hits home.

I encourage Mr. Keohane and others who hold similar thoughts to look at the entire issue. Yes, one of the suggestions of the Task Force was to keep the Falvey Library open later on the weekend nights. But nowhere in the report did it claim that the administration believes that alcohol abuse occurs because students do not have enough work to do, as Mr. Keohane suggested.

The Task Force is simply providing alternatives to students who do not wish to drink. Along with "Senior Service Saturday" were suggestions for longer hours on the weekends at athletic and intramural facilities as well as at the Connelly Center. We need to remember that alternatives to drinking are not mandates against alcohol but rather opportunities to explore.

Yes, alcohol will always be present on every college campus and students will drink. But the emphasis that is put on the necessity of such actions is where the problems begin. There are ways to get involved and I encourage students to explore these opportunities on campus every once in a while. Let's be realistic, I don't expect to see a flock of students converging on Falvey Library on a Friday night. However, it would be nice to see some increased support for the many organizations on campus who attempt to provide alternatives to alcohol every now and again.

As members of this community, we do have a voice on campus. I encourage students to become active on campus and to raise suggestions as to what programs would be successful on the weekends. It is with your interest and ideas that progress can be made.

To "act like a college kid" involves more than consuming alcohol and "stumbling around campus." We need to take personal responsibility for our actions and understand that our actions not only effect ourselves but all of those around us. We need to consider all of the "long term consequences" of taking advantage of this great opportunity that we have right now. This is not an all or nothing situation. Alcohol is a part of the college experience for most people. Let's simply not allow it to take control of our lives. Make the most out of all that Villanova has to offer.

Michael R. Petriella
Head Resident
Katharine Hall

Denial pervades University's alcohol problem

To the Editor:

After observing the comments of some students concerning their belief in the lack of seriousness of alcohol abuse on this campus, I find myself recalling a familiar line: "Denial is not just a river in Egypt."

Michael L. Levitan
Mathematical Sciences

Attention should not be focused on the circumstances of crime

To the Editor:

It is horribly sad that the rape which occurred on Nov. 13 has been distorted into the lesson: "You can't take anything for granted anymore." I suppose these words are meant to be valuable insight for the female population at Villanova. Though it is possible to prevent some rapes from occurring by warning women to make use of "the buddy system," it will never be possible to change the hideous attitudes that underlie such extreme acts of brutality and misogyny.

I suppose it is a good deed to encourage everyone to make sound judgements about personal safety, but this deed has no effect on the real problem--the perpetrators of such crimes.

Yes, we can work on keeping ourselves safer by not staying out too late by ourselves or by using "the buddy system," however, such avoidance behavior fails to address the matter at heart, that is, the rape itself.

The real tragedy in the rape that occurred is a tragedy common to every rape ever committed. That is we, as a community, focus too heavily on the circumstances of the rape.

We ask ourselves the questions: "Well, what time of night did the attack occur?" "Where was the victim?" "What was she doing?" The questions always point to the victim and never the crime. It is easy to see that such questions can lead us into the very dangerous area, where we begin questioning whether or not the victim put herself in a position to be harmed. We have all heard and at times have been guilty of asking ourselves such harmful questions: "What was she wearing?" "What was she doing out so late at night by herself?" We must be cautious of entering such dangerous territory, for the underlying translation to these questions, whether we realize it or not, is: "Oh, well she was out jogging at 2 a.m. by herself, no wonder she was raped."

It is for this reason that my deep sorrow for the victim of last week's occurrence is twofold. I am not only disgusted over the amount of physical and emotional hardship that this freshman woman must face but I am also sorry that she will be known as "that girl who was raped while running by herself at 2 a.m."

Rape is rape whatever the circumstances, whatever the time of day, and whatever the woman was wearing. It is sad that we pay so close attention to such details, for in doing so we ignore the victim's hardships and put too much energy into figuring out why the rape occurred.

The point in writing is this is not only to question the way in which newspapers like *The Villanovan* report on such occurrences, but also to try to get people to see through the typical newspaper depiction of rape. The depiction is always one of insane preoccupation with details about the site, the time, and the circumstances. Further, it always ends with very "valuable lessons" about raising campus awareness and the installation of "the buddy system."

I am not saying that it is wrong to record the facts about rape or to try to raise awareness about safety. It is obvious that such things are absolutely necessary. However, I become concerned when the whole newspaper story ends there. Somewhere between the depiction of events and the raising of awareness there needs to be a message that such violent acts of crimes ought never to happen. No matter where or what time of day the rape occurred, it must be made clear that it should never have happened.

Maybe we take for granted a little too much the simple fact that rape is wrong. We may think we can exclude such "elementary" details from our newspaper reports. However, it has been proven over and over again that we undermine the pain and suffering of the victim when we concentrate solely on the circumstances of the crime.

Furthermore, we are all so proud of the "wonderful" Radnor police for arresting the perpetrator so quickly. However, that is their job. We might try asking ourselves about the nature of the Radnor Police Department's victory. Is it really such a victory? Where has it gotten us? The truth is that now we are scared. We are sick. We ought to be tired of having to alter our behavior by taking further safety precautions that infringe on our lifestyles. We, the community, become the real prisoners when we spend our energy focusing on why such rapes occur. In doing so, we let the fact that rape is a horribly despicable act slip through the words in our newspaper accounts and consequently our minds as well.

Pamela Szczygiel
Class of 1999

The departing editorial board wishes the new staff the best of luck for the coming year.
It was a pleasure working with you.

Reasoning behind attendance policy is questioned

To the Editor:

The purpose this letter is not so much to open your eyes to a problem with the paper, but to voice my opinion about a University policy which I feel is ludicrous and unnecessary. The policy I am speaking of is the freshmen mandatory attendance policy.

The policy states that should freshmen miss twice the amount of classes per week (six absences for a Monday/Wednesday/Friday classes and four absences for Tuesday/Thursday classes) they will automatically fail the course. According to several of my instructors, they actually have no choice in the matter: If a student misses more than the allotted absences, they automatically fail the course (although it strikes me that the actual act of taking attendance is totally arbitrary).

In my opinion, this policy is ridiculous and should definitely be reconsidered by the administration. I understand the ideological purpose of the rule: To ensure that freshmen will go to classes, therefore lowering the chances of first and second semester drop-outs. However, what the administration seems to have overlooked is that if a student doesn't want to be in class, he or she will not learn anything. How often do you sit in a class that you really don't want to be in, and just daydream or go to sleep? Does your presence in class actually mean anything?

The simple fact is that if students don't want to learn, they will not learn. Isn't that the whole idea behind college anyway? The government basically requires that we go to school for 16 years. These years are not optional. However, college is an institution based upon the fact that young people *want* to learn. College is not mandatory; the $25,000 a year price tag makes it anything but mandatory.

In light of this, I find it extremely ironic that the University requires freshmen to attend class. Doesn't the administration understand that a mandatory attendance policy is childish, juvenile and immature? I, personally, am offended that the University feels it is necessary take me by the hand and make me go to class. Adding insult to injury is the threat of failing a course.

In just one semester in the college of the Liberal Arts, I have come to the realization that if you read your textbook, you will get good grades. It's as simple as that. It seems that many professors just recite exactly what is in the textbook. Don't get me wrong, we have some of the finest teachers in the country here at Villanova, but there are also many teachers who go strictly by the book. Should you have one of these teachers, it is hardly necessary to go to class everyday, as I'm sure most of the upperclassmen have discovered. I think that it should be the student's responsibility to determine who these teachers are and then decide if they can afford not attending the class. Finding easier ways to succeed is integral in the "real world," and that's what college is all about. Isn't it preparing us for the "real world?"

I sincerely hope that an administrator will read this letter and realize that they have erred in the creation of the freshmen attendance policy. One thing I have come to appreciate in my short time at Villanova is the administration's apparent desire to do what's best for the student, and I believe that they always act on that belief. There is no doubt in my mind that the administration had only good intentions in the creation of the freshmen attendance policy. However, in this case, the mandatory attendance policy just isn't what's best for us, as students. I ask them to please let us shoulder the responsibility for our academic success or failure -- I assure that it will make us stronger students and it will help us be more stalwart and unwavering leaders when the time comes that we enter the business world. I understand that the financial loss the University takes when a student withdrawals is quite substantial. However, by looking out for their collective pocketbook first, the University administrators are compromising the ability of it's students to grow as people and learn from their mistakes. So, I challenge the administration to take a look at the freshmen attendance policy and attempt to convince themselves that it is truly for our benefit as students and not for the benefit of University's bank account. If they cannot do this, they must decide what exactly they value more: The money potentially lost by a few students who couldn't handle the trials and tribulations of the college life, or the strength and vigor gained by thousands of students who looked these trials and tribulations in the eye and overcame them because they could, and not because some administrator made them.

Stephen D. Benedetto
Class of 2000

U.S. fails to give proper support to U.N.

By TIFFANY STEVENS

The United States is the most celebrated model of democracy in the present era. Why then is it the U.S. that is attempting to stifle free choice and the will of the majority in the upcoming United Nations' election? Is this merely an extension of manipulative election year politics, or is it an attempt to inflict the will of the most powerful onto the masses?

Election year politics cause a stalemate not only in the U.S. political system, but on a global level. The manipulative nature of campaigning has infiltrated the global community, most notably in the United Nations. As the year closes, the term of the United Nations' Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali expires. The election of the successor secretary general of the U.N. was manipulated to fit the political agenda and the election goals of the U.S. candidates. Both Clinton and Dole sought to utilize this issue in their own favor.

While Dole simply criticized the U.N. and its leader, Clinton attempted to defer the issue altogether. In the spring, the Clinton White House staff proposed to allow Boutros-Ghali to maintain his position for an additional year. This would serve the interests of the administration by avoiding a Republican attack on its preferred successor. So, to avoid this possible threat, the democratic United States' chooses to override the democratic principles of the organization and simply impose a leader beneficial to their own purposes.

This does not seem an ideal democratic principle, to shamelessly dismiss the order of the institution to further a solitary agenda. What happened to the one vote, one voice principle?

The extension of the secretary general's term due solely to the United States' appeal demonstrates the muscle the U.S. can flex in the international arena. Yet, the administration changed its position on this matter. It has disintegrated its appeal. Now, it is unrelentingly threatening to deploy the United States' Security Council veto (a veto from a permanent member of the Security Council would suppress the decision of the General Assembly) if the Assembly chooses to reelect Boutros-Ghali to another five-year term.

The financial and political support of the U.S. is crucial to the successful operation of the United Nations and the U.S. has chosen to utilize that support to dictate its opinion onto the other member nations. Abstaining financial support has been yet another means of showing the power of the U.S. The U.S. currently owes the U.N. $1.7 billion and is currently using the debt as a means of leverage in getting rid of Boutros-Ghali.

Ostracizing the organization will not benefit the U.S. in any way. A retreat into dictatorial policy manipulation will serve only to isolate the U.S. among the member nations and create a hostile international environment. The democratic U.S. should serve as a role model for the international community showing the strength of democratic principles not the corruption and manipulation of power.

Instead of leading the world as a mighty example of righteous democracy, the U.S. has turned to childish, egotistical motives in attempting to achieve its own agenda. The utilization of the veto is meant to be used as a means of protection, not simply a tool of tyrant rule. We are a nation based upon free will, liberty and equality. Why then are we attempting to suppress the very ideals upon which the nation was founded? One-hundred eighty-five members of the General Assembly, a majority, along with three permanent members of the Security Council, support the current secretary general. We should respect the opinions of the General Assembly members and allow them to voice their own opinions which would currently allow *Boutros-Ghali to remain in power.* As the unilateral world power, it is our duty to support the democratic ideals prominent in the founding and maintenance of our nation on both the national and international levels. This includes supporting a democratic election of the secretary general of the United Nations, not simply appointing our own choice to the position.

DSA responds to posters being torn down: there is no justification

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to Scott Consenza's (*Villanovan*, Oct. 26) weak and illogical argument that it was justifiable for someone to have torn down posters announcing the Democratic Socialists of America's next meeting because, according to the socialist philosophy, those posters were public property and someone decided on belalf of 6,000 other students that it was community's interest to have them removed. If someone had a reasonable, rational and logical reason that the DSA posters were not in the best interest of the "public" (in this case, the Villanova community), he/she could have utilized the democratic (please notice the word "Democratic" in DSA's name) procedures established to air his/her grievances concerning the poster. More specifically, that person could have spoken with the Student Government Association, Carol Anthony (who oversees the student groups in Peace and Justice, including DSA), or Randy Farmer, Assistant Director of Student Development.

Given the number of viable options that are consistent with the policies of Villanova University for addressing posters which may not be in the community's best interest, there is no justification for one member of our community to air his/her grievances in a manner not only inconsistent with school policy, but also disrespectful of an equal member of the Villanova community.

The tearing down of DSA's (or any other group's) posters is, in fact, not in the community's best interest because each person has the right to be informed of the various activities on campus, and to decide for him/herself whether or not he/she is interested in those activities. The tearing down of a poster violates one's right to be informed. When an agent restricts the flow of information, it is called censorship, and DSA is against censorship; DSA is for the free flow of information so that the public can decide for itself, in a democratic manner, what is in its best interest.

Isis Misdary
Class of 1999

Student demands more attention to Connelly Center sandwiches

To the Editor:

When ordering a sandwich at the deli in the Connelly Center, you have to choose between the lesser of two evils: You can get your sandwich "to go," but it is squashed into the container with the chips all over the top of it and the pickle lodged somewhere between the cheese and the bread, or you can "eat in," meaning the sandwich is put on to a tiny white plate, where again the pickle becomes part of the sandwich and the few potato chips that can fit on the corner of the plate fall to the ground. The solution to this problem is quite simple... bigger plates. I know that this is not a pressing issue on campus, but we need to look out for the cold cuts.

Patrick Lynch
class of '98

Responses from the 'Novan speaker Poll

Sure it would be great to have more high profile speakers come to campus. But in my 10 and a half years here, I have never known of a talk whose topic was so "narrow or obscure" as to "automatically shut out a healthy portion of the student population," as your Nov. 15 editorial put it.

Whatever happened to intellectual curiosity? For that matter, whatever happened to your own motto of "Raising the level of discussion on campus"? Students are more than welcomed at any talk given on campus, no matter the topic or relative obscurity of the speaker. That few students choose to participate is more a statement about priorities than about the value of any one particular presentation. If you're not interested, then say so and we can start the discussion there, but don't say that you were "shut out."

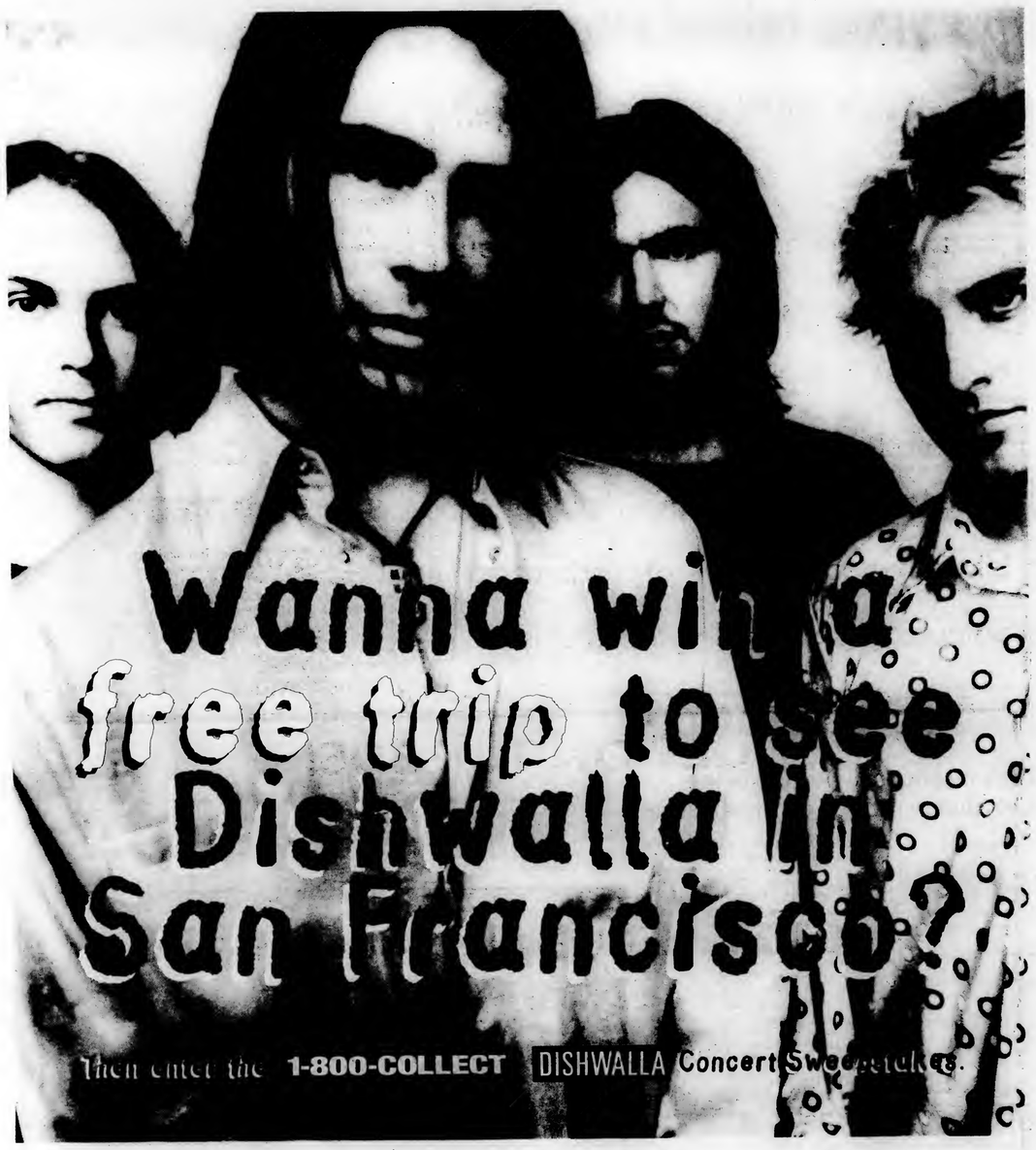
Tim Freeman
Mathematical Sciences

The speakers are not satisfactory. The University should make a more active effort to improve this. Bringing in Seamus Heaney was a great idea because many people know him. The University brings in too many speakers that only people from the speaker's field could appreciate or understand. Lectures are an important part of college. A speaker with charisma is what makes him/her good. Some of the speakers that have been brought in are intelligent but less exciting because they use too much jargon.

David Yeager
Class of 2000

1. No, the University has not planned adequate speakers— and that includes Bob Dole (Penn got Clinton).
2. Yes, the University should do something to improve this.
3. It could focus more on intellectual activities such as poetry readings and local artists, poets, musicians, rather than basketball. A reputation has to be built for Villanova as an *arts* and sciences university, not simply a tech school for business professionals, engineers and scientists. Why is there no arts building?
4. Lectures are a part of the life education, not just college education.
5. A speaker should be able to engage the audience and change them, even in the smallest way. He/she needs to be able to appeal to creativity. Example: last year, Billy Joel was a guest at UPenn. He did not only sing. He talked to the audience — about his life, his experiences, his drive, etc. Though the auditorium was packed, it was intimate. No, Billy Joel may not be the first you think of when you consider a cultural event. However, that's the problem. We seem to approach it the wrong way. We want it all, right away. There are many local talents that would probably enjoy doing a similar performance. There are many forms of culture, and we have to start somewhere. Then again, there would probably be few to attend any such events. And that, in the end, appears to be the problem. Anyone who attended the Seamus Heaney lecture probably noticed that students were in the minority among the audience members. So before we blame the University, let's recognize that there is little supply without demand.

Maggie Zieminek
Class of 2000



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Nov. 23

ECE Day

The ECE Advisory Committee cordially invites you to the 10th annual Electrical and Computer Engineering Day on Saturday, Nov. 23. Registration starts at 9 a.m. and the main program begins at 9:30 a.m. with a break for lunch at 12:5 p.m. This event focuses on technologies in our industry and on the contributions of Villanova University Electrical Engineering alumni to those technologies. Additionally, this event focuses on reuniting alumni and introducing future graduates to a variety of topics in industry. If you plan to attend or would like additional information, please call Helen Cook at (610) 519-4970.

Quake Tournament

The Villanova Association for computing Machinery (ACM) will be sponsoring a tournament of the computer game Quake. Play head-to-head and compete for prizes! The tournament will be held on Saturday Nov. 23 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in Mendel Hall Room 156. Lunch will be served.

Nov. 24

Retreat for Women

There will be a retreat for women on Sunday, Nov. 24. This one day retreat will bring women together to share and discuss the uniqueness of being both women and Christian, and how that affects prayer, relationships and identity. Call 519-4080 for more info.

Retreat for Men

There will be a one day retreat for men on Sunday, Nov. 24. This day long retreat will consider the spirituality of being male. It will look at why it is not "cool" in society for men to share feelings or to be spiritual, and it will reflect on the wisdom of Jesus in how He lived His life. Contact John Lozano or Father Ed Hastings in Campus Ministry for more info.

Nov. 25

Balloon Day Volunteers

Wanted: Balloon Day chairpeople! Come to an informational meeting on Monday, Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. in the West Lounge to find out how you can get involved.

VEG Meeting

The Villanova Environmental Group (VEG) will be holding its next meeting Mon. Nov. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice. VEG is a group open to all majors for those concerned in preserving and appreciating the environment, recycling and other related issues.

The final meeting of the semester, at which elections will be held, is Mon. Dec. 9. All are invited.

Dec. 2

Arab-Islamic Conference

The U. S. Army War College, the Center for Arab and Islamic Studies, the Political Science Department and the Hillel Chapter are holding a conference in the Connelly Center Cinema entitled "Arab-Israeli Relations at a Critical Juncture." The first session will be from 9:45 a.m. to noon and the topic will be "Relations among "Palestinians, Israelis, Lebanese and Syrians." The second session will be 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. and the topic will be "Economic and U.S. Policy Perspectives."

Dec. 4

Gender Discussion

The Women's Studies program is hosting a discussion entitled "THe Gender Gap and the 1996 Election" at 4 p.m. on Dec. 4 in Room 300 of the Saint Augustine Center. Professors Terry Nance of Communication Arts and Matt Kerbel of Political Science will be leading the discussion.

Dec. 6

Visiting Speaker

Professor John B. Hamilton from the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts will speak on campus on Friday Dec. 6 at 3 p.m. in the de Leon Room on the third floor of the St. Augustine Center for Liberal Arts. Hamilton is a frequent contributor to the New England Classical Journal and Newsletter and is known for his teaching of Greek epic and tragedy particularly for Greek Mythology. He has been a recent visiting professor of Classics at the University of Reading in England. His talk will be on the "Shame and Rage in Greek Myths: A Rationale?" The public is invited to hear Hamilton's talk. For more information call the Classical Studies Department at 519-4780.

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Amnesty International

Amnesty International is a worldwide human rights organization with a chapter here at Villanova. Meetings are every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice (basement of Sullivan Hall). If you are interested in joining or have any questions please call Giulia at x15283.

Work in Germany

Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as English Assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions by contacting Dr. Rodger Van Allen of the theology and religious studies department at 519-4766. Some knowledge of German is required of the assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with the students. The assistant must be creative in conducting discussion groups, organizing sports and games, conversing about life in the U.S. and assisting the students individually with homework. Applications must be completed by Dec. 15. Three graduates of Villanova are currently serving as English Assistants in the boarding schools which are conducted by the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart in the southwestern region of the country. For more info. Call 519-4766.,,

SNAP Flip Top Drive

The Student Nurses Association of PA at Villanova (SNAP) requests help from the entire Villanova community. Aluminum flip top soda pop tabs have significant value in the recycling industry and can provide some income for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. Save ALUMINUM FLIP TOP TABS to help the children at the Ronald McDonald House. Please call SNAP at 519-7317 and a SNAP member will pick them up. The drive will be until Monday, Nov. 25. Thank you.

Scholarship Offered

Students majoring in environmental public policy and Native Americans or Alaska natives who intend to pursue careers in health care or tribal public policy are invited to inquire about being named a Morris Udall Scholar.

Students who are interested should contact Dr. R. Kelman Wieder before Jan. 20, 1997. The University will select and submit six nominees from which the University will award scholarships of $5,000 to juniors or seniors during the 1997-98 academic year. For more information call Dr. Weider at 519-4856.

March for Life

Villanovans for Life is sponsoring a free bus to Washington D.C. on Wednesday Jan. 22. It will leave the Main Lot at 7 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. Call 519-4486 to reserve a seat. Students, staff and faculty members are welcome.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on a team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a "Retreat team interest form in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of "giving back" a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the US or overseas. There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information, see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

Retreat Sign-Ups

Sign ups for each retreat begin six weeks before each retreat. You can sign up by stopping by the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall and filing out a registration form. The cost of most weekend retreats is $40 for the weekend, and one day retreats cost $10. A limited number of scholarships are available to those with financial difficulties. For more information call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Attention Qualified Musicians

The Lower Merion Symphony invites Villanova's musicians to attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 10 p.m. They take place in the McShain Auditorium on Rosemont College. For information, call Elliot Levioff at (215) 473-9013.

Gay/Lesbian Support

Students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or are questioning their sexual identity can call x 96000, then voice mailbox #85443 to get information on Villanova's informal support group for homosexuals and bisexuals. All calls will be confidential and, if sincere, will be returned within 24 hours.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call ext. 94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

For this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, NJ 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries such as India, Africa, South and Central America. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry Office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. Thank you.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card in the Registrar's Office as soon as possible. These cards are essential to assure that names appear in Commencement Program and on diplomas exactly according to students' wishes.

Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have submitted "Prospective Graduate" cards are posted outside the Registrar's Office, 203 Tolentine Hall. Thank you!

Growing in Faith

A relaxed and informal time to get to know other students, share and grow in our faith. There is a talk, discussion groups and some prayer. It is like a mini-retreat every Monday night from 8 - 9:15 p.m. in St. Rita's Chapel. Sponsored by Campus Ministry.

Master Schedule Info

The Spring 1997 Master Schedule is available on the World Wide Web, under the home page of the Office of the Registrar, at the following address: http://www.vill.edu/webview/schedule.html

All typed F.Y.I.'s are due on Tuesdays by 5 p.m. in the Villanovan Office, 201 Dougherty Hall.

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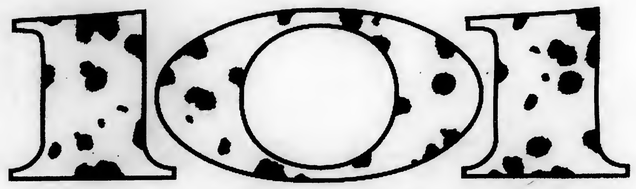

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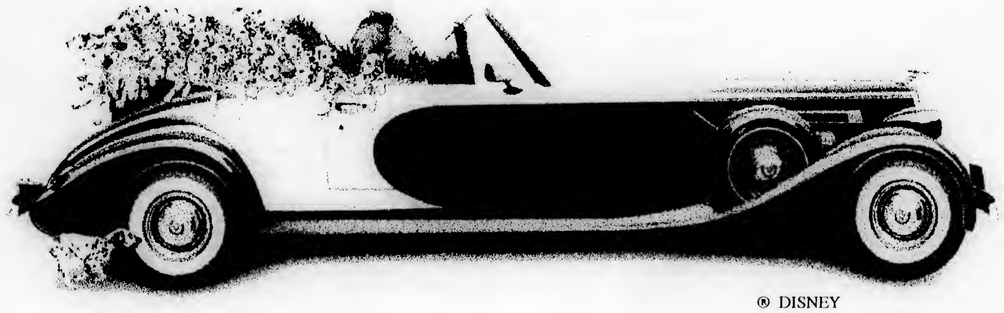

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F E A T U R E S

An interview with Nobel Prize poet, Seamus Heaney

By MELISSA SODOLSKI
Features Editor

Nobel Laureate Seamus Heaney spoke with *The Villanovan* before his poetry reading on Nov. 14.

How do you respond to being called the best Irish poet since Yeats?

Skeptically and gratefully.

Who or what inspired you to begin writing?

Reading poems inspired me to begin writing. I began writing seriously in the early 1960s when I was a young school teacher in Belfast. Reading contently Irish, English, Welsh and Scottish poets brought me alive . . . I had written poems as a student, but never seriously . . . It was reading. Reading really awakened me.

Why did you publish under a pseudonym when you first started writing?

This is when I was a student. The pseudonym was an important part of it. The pseudonym was Incertus, meaning "uncertain." This is, uncertain whether one had the right to utter or not--certain whether one was a poet or not. I prefer that still in young writers . . . Just writing a verse doesn't make you a poet. You have to be consented to by poetry and other poets. I think there is a big difference between poetry that is an achieved thing and an utterance that is maybe therapeutic for the person. Poetry is not to do with you feeling good, it is to do with it being good. These are very delicate areas. I have to put it in a simpler way--presumptuousness about one's gifts as a poet never fails to astonish me . . . A poet has to have a sense of the sacredness of the calling among other things. It is something that comes right through from Homer, through the Bible, through Horace, through Milton, through Dante, through Shakespeare, through Yeats. There's no beginner's class. It's just absolute.

How did your family respond to your decision to go to school and break tradition?

I didn't decide to go to school and break traditions . . . I was part of a generation of students who got scholarships . . . My parents were probably grateful and a little curious about what was happening . . . it began in pride, pleasure and curiosity about what would happen . . . My father was a farmer and my mother was a housewife. They were people of cultivated spirit but not any great education . . . I was returning to my home regularly until they died. I still go back and see my brothers and sisters. There wasn't any alienation. I'm a member of a large family of nine, eight of us alive. I can abhor the idea of education or social movement somewhat interfering with real life.

Would you tell us the story of how you found out about winning the Nobel Prize?

Yes, well, I was in holiday in Greece . . . Thursday we crossed the mountains from Sparta to a place called Pilos . . .we were really incommunicado. We couldn't be found or anything. Friday afternoon I decided to ring home because I knew my son Christopher would be in the house at that stage. And that was the moment when he told me. And the news had been out for a day and a half . . . I couldn't be found anywhere. So I said, "Hello Christopher, how are things?" And he said, "Oh dad, I'm so proud." I said, "What are you proud about?" He said, "Haven't you heard the news?" I said, "No, what news?" He said, "You won the Nobel Prize." . . . I said, "You'd better tell your mother." Even then language and decorum forbade that I utter the phrase myself . . . I was just in shock.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

After his presentation, Seamus Heaney poses for some snapshots.

"Anchorsplash" floats in this weekend

By KATIE KLINE
Staff Reporter

On Nov. 24, the Delta Gamma Sorority will hold its ninth annual "Anchorsplash" fund-raising event on campus. "Anchorsplash" is a nationwide fund-raiser for the blind which is held by Delta Gamma chapters across the country.

The proceeds from the event will be donated to the Pennsylvania Association for Blind Athletes, the Royer Greeves School for the Blind and to the Delta Gamma Foundation for Sight Conservation and Aid to the Blind.

The Delta Gamma chapter at Villanova has been able to raise over $45,000 in the past eight years. They hope to make this year's event a successful one.

"Anchorsplash" will take place at the duPont Pavilion pool where a mock swim competition will take place between the fraternities and sororities of Villanova.

The Student Government Association will also contribute a team of members to help raise money for these organizations. Each team of five members makes a $50 donation to be eligible to participate in the day's events.

Five different events will make up this year's "Anchorsplash" competition. There will be a sweatshirt relay race, an inner tube race and a coaches relay race.

There will be a bathing beauty contest where contestants dress up in funny costumes and parade around the pool side while entertaining questions from the judges. Finally, the competition will conclude with a synchronized swimming event where participants perform a routine in the water to music provided by a disc jockey.

Each event will either be timed or judged by a panel of five judges. The panel will consist of Delta Gamma alumnus, faculty and staff and Villanova basketball player, Zeffy Penn.

"People seem to be very excited about this year's 'Anchorsplash'," said Colleen Otterbin, who is responsible for organizing the event. "It's a lot of work, but also a lot of fun. I think it is great to see how the DG sisters have come together to make it a great event."

National Diabetes Month enhances a healthier lifestyle

By TIFFANY BREGOVI
Staff Reporter

Over 16 million Americans suffer from the chronic disease of diabetes. It not only affects the sufferer of the disease, but also those in the life of that person. Because of this, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) has named November National Diabetes Month. The idea is to promote a more solid awareness and understanding of the disease.

Diabetes causes blood sugar levels of the body to be too high. Over the years, it can lead to the damage and possible failure of the kidneys, eyes, nerves, blood vessels and heart. It can also cause blindness, the loss of a toe or foot, or gum disease.

This year's theme for National Diabetes Month is "Diabetes: What to Know Head to Toe." It focuses on two possible effects of diabetes: an eye disease called retinopathy and the damage of nerves in the feet.

Diabetic retinopathy causes damage to the blood vessels in the retina. In some cases, the blood vessels may swell and leak fluid. In other cases, there are new abnormal blood vessels that grow on the surface of the retina. This disease is one of the leading causes of blindness among American adults.

Very often, there are no symptoms or pain in the early stages of retinopathy. There may not even be an effect on vision until the disease has become severe.

Because of this, people who suffer from diabetes should get regular eye examinations, especially if any of the following problems occur: blurred vision, double vision, spots are seen, pain or pressure is felt in one or both eyes, things cannot be seen on the sides of vision, or if there is trouble with reading.

Diabetics should keep blood sugar levels under tight control and keep blood pressure down as well to avoid eye problems.

Diabetes can also cause nerve damage in the feet. With this, bruises and cuts might not be felt. If they go untreated, such injuries can lead to an infection and gangrene, after which amputation becomes a possibility.

In addition to controlling blood sugar, the ADA offers very specific advice concerning foot care and how to avoid these problems. Shoes and socks should be removed and feet should be checked by the doctor during every visit. Feet should be washed and dried thoroughly every day. They should also be checked daily for any injury, no matter how small: cuts, blisters, bruises, redness or swelling. Shoes should always be worn: never go barefoot. Shoes should fit well to avoid injury and possible loss of feeling in the feet. Toenails should be cut straight across and the edges filed.

In general, diabetics can stay healthy by following the standard healthy lifestyle. They should exercise three to four times a week and check with a physician before starting a particular program. Brush and floss daily, visiting a dentist twice annually. Keep cholesterol level under 200. Also, diabetics should avoid smoking.

The ADA works with hospitals and clinics in the area in a program called Regional Education Activities. The program runs screenings at different locations in the area, such as Chestnut Hill Hospital, Delaware Valley Medical Center and Allegheny University Hospital, among others. The screenings are for blood sugar, glaucoma, foot, vascular and blood glucose checks.

The Fitzgerald Mercy Hospital Nutrition and Diabetes Program works with Acme Pharmacy to provide nutrition tours at the Acme supermarket in Clifton Heights for people with diabetes.

There are also various support groups and topic discussions at hospitals and medical centers in the area. The ADA provides many different ways to assist people who suffer from diabetes. For more information, call 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383).

Searching for the meaning of Thanksgiving

By JIM DELANEY
Staff Reporter

Just in case you're not making a timely trip to Puerto Rico like the basketball team is this Thanksgiving, you can still make this holiday a warm one.

It's just like back in October, 1621 when the Pilgrims were stuck in Massachusetts for the winter. They looked around and realized they had much to be thankful for. Among other things, they set aside a day to show their gratitude for the bountiful harvest that would sustain them through the cold. Today, we must find our own meaningful harvest to reap.

Apart from the Villanova tradition of turning those two days of classes before Thanksgiving into a week's vacation, how can we commemorate turkey day 370 years later in a way we can relate to?

After all the feasting, fun and football, Thanksgiving may have more to do with getting than giving. It's too easy to forget who we rely on for having what we want.

Mark Twain saw it this way: "Thanksgiving Day. Let us all give humble, hearty, and sincere thanks now, but the turkeys."

So what about that part of the societal food chain that either today or in our history has been sacrificed for our well-being. This is what Lincoln was talking about when he officially made it a legal holiday after Gettysburg, the most destructive battle on this continent during the Civil War.

He did so not for it just to be a day of thanks but also for remembering and understanding how we prevailed, as it was intended to continue each year for 75 years. It is through this realization that we must give back in turn.

This harvest is the kind most sorely needed and the most meaningful thanks ever truly given.

Even F.D.R., our great aura of idealistic conviction, succumbed to materializing Thanksgiving as he moved the holiday up to allow for an additional week of shopping to bolster business.

Everyone will inevitably lose sight of the real meaning of the holiday, but also like F.D.R., in the end we must do something to move in the right direction as he was corrected and Thanksgiving was moved back by the Congress to the last Thursday in November.

Just as the Pilgrims, and later George Washington in the Revolutionary War, proclaimed days of Thanksgiving after good fortune, so must we give thanks in our own way appropriate for our time.

This Thanksgiving and holiday season, Villanova's student service groups will continue as they always have. Project Sunshine (x94079) offers a variety of hours to tutor inner-city youth.

Through Campus Ministry (x94080), groups go to soup kitchens, shelters, tutor and play with children and foster long term friendships with Philadelphia youth in "Bigs and Littles" mentor programs.

These can be done once a week, once a month or once a year. Project Sunshine is in the basement of Vasey Hall while Campus Ministry is in the basement of St.Rita's Hall.

This is what college is all about—feeling stupid trying something new and then wondering why you haven't been doing it all along.

It doesn't take more than three hours round trip for any of the activities, perfect for a tension breaker from studying and a quick Thanksgiving harvest to keep you warm in the coming months.

This harvest is the kind most sorely needed and the most meaningful thanks ever truly given.

F E A T U R E S

Student places second in Structure's Male Model Search

By CAROLYN HEHIR
Staff Reporter

A few months ago a woman telephoned home and spoke to her son. In the ensuing conversation, she convinced her son to stand in front of hundreds of people and be broadcast on national television in his underwear. Well, that might not have been exactly what happened to Mark Recchiuti, a sophomore at Villanova, but it is pretty close.

It all began back in September when Recchiuti's mother came across an application for the Structure Underwear Male Model Search while shopping at Structure. Mrs. Recchiuti thought her son should enter the competition and called home for his vital statistics of height, weight, etc., to send in along with a few recent pictures. Although Recchiuti had never modeled before and was initially not thrilled about the prospect, he relented to his mother's suggestion. Late last month, Recchiuti received a phone call from Structure informing him that he was chosen as one of the 20 semifinalists out of more than 12,500 applicants. The semifinalists were flown to Structures's world headquarters in Columbus, Ohio, and introduced to the world of modeling. He woke up to begin his morning lifting, followed by a grooming session, a photo shoot, a consultation with a personal trainer, a videotaped interview and finished with a fashion show for Structure associates late that evening. "It was a bit embarrassing walking down the runway, but there were more than 20 other guys doing the same thing, " said Recchiuti.

From the pool of 20 semifinalists, Recchiuti was selected as one of the 10 finalists who were then flown to Los Angeles where the final winner would be chosen. He flew to California Nov. 10 and remained for almost the following next week. A fashion show among an audience of more than 800 Structure associates was held at the Billboard Live in Los Angeles on Nov. 12 and was hosted by MTV's, Idalis, and was judged by nine panelists from the fashion and modeling fields. While in Los Angeles, Recchiuti, and the 19 other men, put in long days of weight lifting and photo shoots. "Patience is definitely the key [of modeling], and doing the right thing in front of the camera," Recchiuti commented.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

Runner-up, Mark Recchiuti, is in the start of a possible modeling career.

Parts of the search were aired nationally on, among other programs, "Entertainment Tonight," "Extra" and "Hard Copy." Additionally, Recchiuti met many famous celebrities as well as behind the scenes power figures. As a part of the underwear model search, each of the 10 finalists had his larger than life picture hanging on the walls of the fashion show and Recchiuti had his 40x30 picture stolen by a young woman. A fan club is definitely the sign of future modeling success.

Recchiuti was the runner-up of the 10 finalists. "Baby Mark," as he was nicknamed, was the youngest of the finalists. The judges were experienced and knew what they and Structure were expecting of the model for the Spring 1997 photo campaign. They were no, according to Recchiuti, looking for someone too muscular or someone with too much modeling experience. They wanted an individual a bit more natural to appeal Structure customers. As it turns out, Structure wants both Recchiuti and the winner, Collin Weitzman of Hillsboro, C.A., to appear in the Underwear and the Spring '97 campaigns. They will also be accompanied by the third and fourth place finalists in the Spring campaign.

After the fashion show, Recchiuti was approached by numerous modeling agencies, who were interested in him. Recchiuti anticipates his work with the Boss modeling company, of the Hugo Boss fashion line. Boss was the only company that encouraged Recchiuti to stay in school, a definite priority of Recchiuti's at the moment, and the company promises to work with him around his school schedule. With this contact, Recchiuti could have future opportunities to travel to Miami, New York and such hot spots as Paris and Milan.

"My teachers were concerned at first, but then my friends told them how big it was and they seemed happy for me," Recchiuti continued, "also, it is good for the University to have the Villanova name out there."

"I hope it all goes well and I hope it is just the beginning. I definitely want it to continue."

Greek Briefs

Hey Pi Phis, don't forget to come hang out and bond with all of your sisters at our rush retreat tomorrow. Also, remember to start scoping out your date for our winter formal because Dec. 6 is fast approaching Congratulations to sisters Kristie Greco and Shannon Pitz for finishing another great football cheerleading season.

A special thanks goes out to Brother Charlie McInnis who made a guest appearance this weekend and displayed true brotherly love, thanks Charlie! Sig Ep also welcomes our resident scholar, Bob Watson to the Villanova community.

Chi Omega would like to congratulate our sisters who have recently been inducted into Honor Societies— Liz Callahan was entered into Lambda Pi Eta, Heather Patsis into Pi Delta Phi, French Honor Society, and Amy Cormier into Sigma Meta Tau, Nursing Honor Society. The sisters would also like to congratulate Amy on being named the recipient of the Elizabeth Carmichael Orman Scholarship for nursing. Chi-O would also like to congratulate our undefeated volleyball team and wish them good luck in the playoffs! Get psyched for an awesome upcoming weekend with our National visitors!

Good luck to all Alpha Chi's running for a position for next semester. It is great to see everyone's enthusiasm and dedication. Congratulations to Mammy DeLuca and Elana Giannattasio for winning the third annual "Friends Who Look Alike" contest held in Wayne this past weekend.

Calling all Kappas: come support our bathing beauties at DG's Annual Anchor Splash this Sunday at 1 p.m. in duPont pool. Get ready for some wet and wild fun! All proceeds benefit "Aid for the Blind."

Tau Kappa Omega would like to congratulate Tim "llama" Loree and Jeff Barnish for their participation in the Long Valley Marathon run for local charities. Also, congratulations to Brian Gallagher for being a top 10 finalist for the Calvin Klein underwear ad in New York City. We are proud to announce that Matt Cronin will be tieing the knot with long time girlifriend Deirdre Fogarty. Good luck Matt!

The ladies of Tri Delta celebrated Founder's Day at the Philadelphia Country Club over brunch last Sunday. All who attended enjoyed the morning, meeting sisters and sharing their Tri Delta stories. More immediately, new officers were selected. Congratulations to our new Standards board - Mulcahy, Henry, Gallo, Fallon and Antani. - and all incoming officers. A HUGE "Thank you!" to the retiring board, including Baxter, Scarola, Rulloso, DeCell and Fanning.

Delta Gamma has a lot of congratulating to do. First of all, we are so proud of our sister, Tara Mataraza for being chosen as the 1997 Orientation Chairperson. Good work to all of our sisters: Holly Kritch, Chrissy Faistl, Liz Pollitt and Anita Freselone for a job well done with Special Olympics. DG's new executive board has been named. Congrats to Chrissy Faistl, Fran Orie, Janine Makoul, Kristen Termotto, Kristy Sisko, Eunice Villegas, Christine Moynihan, Eileen Hayward and Nicole Vandervoort. Everyone get ready for Sunday. Anchorsplash is here and we hope everyone is ready!

World AIDS Day hopes to promote awareness around the nation

By MICHELLE BACON
Staff Reporter

The ninth annual World AIDS Day will be held in countries all around the world on Dec.1. World AIDS Day's main goal is to promote awareness of AIDS and HIV, the virus that causes it. On this day, all around the globe, people will stand in support of the estimated 22 million people who are presently living with AIDS and the millions who have died.

This year's theme is "One World. One Hope." This theme symbolizes the aspirations of World AIDS Day. "One World" asks the world to accept, support and show compassion for those with HIV and AIDS.

"One Hope" petitions the world to be positive about the power of awareness, preventionmethods, the advancements of medical treatment and the immanence of a cure.

Making people aware of the risk of HIV and AIDS is extremely important on college campuses. Over half of the estimated 8,500 new HIV infections each day affect those under the age of 25. The AIDS Peer Educators recognize this and will aid the Villanova community to observe World AIDS Day on Dec. 4, by sponsoring various events throughout the day.

Paul Giacalone, executive peer educator, is instrumental in the activities and presentations planned for World AIDS Day around campus. All day in the Connelly Center, tables will be selling AIDS awareness ribbons as well as circulating pamphlets containing information about how to get tested.

The peer educators will also partake in "A Day Without Art," a national event that demonstrates the impact that AIDS has had on the entire art world. The Oreo, the displayed art in the art gallery and the art in Vasey Hall will be covered to show the devastating loss the artistic community has endured.

Later that day at 7 p.m. in Vasey Hall, Gary Bailey, a member of the education and outreach program Action Aids and a HIV patient, will speak to the campus.

In 1995 he courageously spoke with more than 40 thousand people to make others aware of the risk of AIDS and to educate them about the disease. Bailey is a very powerful speaker and Villanova is fortunate to have him speak.

Lastly, that night at 8 p.m. a candlelight vigil will be held across campus to show support for those living with HIV or AIDS and to commemorate to those who have died.

The Peer Educators invite Villanova to participate in World AIDS Day and to open your mindand your heart to AIDS and to those that are suffering with it.

This is the year to wipe away poverty

By CHRIS OKANO
Staff Reporter

The city of Philadelphia, Sister Cities International, the United Nations Development Program and cities all over the world have set this year as the year for the eradication of poverty.

Absolute poverty, as defined by the World Bank and the United Nations, is an individual living on less than $1 a day. One of the most significant problems resulting from poverty is hunger. It is important to distinguish between different types of hunger.

First there is famine, which is the result of such infrequent or unpredictable causes as drought, over-cultivation and war. Famine is relatively short in nature and occurs in a localized area.

The second type of hunger caused by poverty is chronic persistent hunger, a form of malnutrition caused by a persistent lack of resources and opportunity to gain sufficient nutrition. The result is learning disabilities, mental retardation, poor health, low work capacity, blindness, and premature death.

It is interesting to note that 10 percent of hunger deaths worldwide are a result of famine, while the other 90 percent are the result of chronic persistent hunger. Famine is typically found in developing countries whereas chronic persistent hunger is a worldwide problem found both in developing and developed countries. Two billion people around the world are affected by chronic persistent hunger every year.

As part of the year for the eradication of poverty, the city of Philadelphia, along with other cities around the world, have proclaimed Oct. 17 as the day for the eradication of poverty.

As stated by Mayor Ed Rendell, "To become a truly great global community, we must re-emphasize our commitment to efforts to eradicate poverty and this devastating impact on human well-being."

This commitment towards a global community needs to be a continuous effort since the world produces more than enough food to feed everyone, yet 35,000 people die each day as a result of not getting enough to eat.

You may have noticed or even participated in the various hunger awareness week activities on campus over the past few days. Poverty and hunger will not go away without continued involvement.

There are many organizations on or off campus you can get involved with. One such campus organization is Bread for the World.

The point is that it's possible for an individual to make a contribution to the elimination of poverty and hunger in 1996, the year for the eradication of poverty.

Also contributing to this article are: Jim Snow, Dave Ross, Chris Barbier, Mark Marston, and Chuck Hurchalla.

F E A T U R E S

The reality of Alzheimer's disease

By LAURIE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

Your grandmother puts her keys in the toaster oven and tries to lock her door with a coffee mug. A friend's father thinks you are his brother, who died 15 years ago. Your favorite uncle stops giving you quarters and begins to yell at other family members.

These people are all exhibiting some of the early symptoms of the disease that is the fourth leading cause of death among adults: Alzheimer's disease.

The Alzheimer's Association has designated November as National Alzheimer's Disease Month. According to the Alzheimer's Association, "Alzheimer's disease is a progressive, degenerative disease of the brain which results in impaired memory, thinking and behavior."

The first symptoms victims exhibit are gradual memory loss and a decreasing ability to perform everyday tasks. Often, someone with early stage Alzheimer's will lose the ability to understand numbers to the point that they may be unable to tell the difference between $1 and $100.

Language skills are also affected, as the victim will confuse names of both people and objects, calling a table a coat, for example. He or she may also be confused easily, and may exhibit changes in mood or personality, becoming irritable or depressed.

Although some of these symptoms may occur naturally with old age, people with Alzheimer's will exhibit an extreme degree of confusion and forgetfulness. Eventually, they will no longer be able to care for themselves.

There is no cure for Alzheimer's, and only one drug has been approved by the Federal Drug Administration for treatment. This drug, tacrine, helps some patients improve their memories, but its effects are only temporary.

The course of the disease may take from three to 20 years. Eight years is the average time between onset of symptoms and death.

Most of the victims of Alzheimer's disease are over the age 65, but it can sometimes occur in people in their 40s or 50s. Nearly half of Americans older than 85 suffer from Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.

Although the disease was first described by Dr. Alois Alzheimer in 1906, scientists still do not fully understand it. There is no conclusive test for the disease. A positive diagnosis can only be made after examining brain tissue in an autopsy.

Victims of Alzheimer's show evidence of having abnormal build-ups of protein in the brain, called plaques. Their brains may also have twisted fibers called tangles. Plaques and tangles occur in all elderly people, but are especially numerous with this particular disease.

Scientists believe that Alzheimer's disease may be related to genes or it may be triggered by environmental influences. It affects males and females equally.

The mission statement of the Alzheimer's Association says that it is "The National Voluntary Health Agency dedicated to researching the preventions, cures and treatments of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, and providing support and assistance to afflicted patients and their families."

One in 10 American families has a member with Alzheimer's disease. If you know someone with the disease, you may want to contact the southeastern Pennsylvania chapter of the Alzheimer's Association at (215) 925-3220.

They offer a variety of support services. For more information, see their website at http://www.alz.org.

UNIT schedules a much needed network upgrade

By KARIN STEINBRENNER
UNIT Executive Director

Many articles in recent *Villanovan* issues discussed shortcomings in Villanova's support for student computing. Students who want to use PCs in computing labs often have a hard time finding an available PC. Others who have computers in their residence halls experience difficulties logging into the Villanova network (VUnet) because the network is "clogged" up.

The University and UNIT staff are committed to provide quality computing services and support to Villanova's students. Since last year, computing resources supporting student e-mail, word processing and other general purpose applications have at least tripled.

In addition, Villanova offered students the option to connect their own PCs to the network from their residence halls. Today, about 800 students have taken advantage of this option.

Despite the added capabilities, the demand for computing and network resources has outpaced all expansions. Use of e-mail, which is rapidly replacing the phone for many students, is compounded by internet access.

Any use of university computing resources requires that information be passed through VUnet, which means network capacity has to be expanded along with computer power.

To improve performance, UNIT staff will implement a major network upgrade and add additional computing resources.

The network upgrade, to be completed by the end of the semester, will increase the VUnet capacity in high traffic areas on campus by a factor of 10. Similarly the data throughput to the student server and the VAX, which handles the students' e-mail, will be increased tenfold. During the semester break, UNIT will add another student server for students who run Eudora mail and the WordPerfect Office Suite from the server.

To obtain the best performance, students should run Windows from their computer rather than from the student server. Instructions to do this are in each connectivity kit and available on the world wide web at www.vill.edu/~helpdesk.

Also, students can install and run a copy of WP Office software on their own PC instead of running it on the student server.

The planned upgrades will rectify many of the problems that students are experiencing. However, even a tenfold increase in network capacity will not provide adequate throughput forever as more applications demand higher band width.

When the network is stabilized, UNIT will begin to plan for a new network architecture that will allow Villanova to migrate to a single network that will handle voice, data and motion video.

University searching for economics majors

By MIKE PANTANO
Staff Reporter

"I've seen students get Ph.Ds [doctorates] in economics from the best law schools in the country," said Dr. Edward Mathis, the chairperson of the economics department, of the students that leave Villanova with a degree in economics.

Acquiring an economics major is a slightly different process for students in the College of Commerce and Finance than for those of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students in the business school who are declaring a major in economics are required to fill out a form in the spring semester of their freshman year. On the other hand, Arts and Science students with grade point averages of 2.75 or higher should declare through the dean's office.

All students must complete a variety of economic and business courses. Students in Commerce and Finance must complete principles of microeconomics, principles of macroeconomics, micro-economic theory, macro-economic theory and five upper-level economics electives. These classes are in addition to the core curriculum classes that Commerce and Finance students must take. Courses such as accounting, business law and marketing are required of all students in the business school.

Liberal Arts and Science students have slightly different requirements. Besides the economic courses and electives, Calculus 1, Statistics I and II and Microcomputers with Applications are required. Those who are in the Arts and Sciences have to register for an extra seminar in order to fulfill the requirements for the degree.

According to Mathis, a degree in economics is an excellent preparation for graduate study. Many students go on to get their MBA after graduation. The study of economics is beneficial to students in whatever goal they chose to pursue. Mathis believes that one of the advantages to economics is that, "It teaches you to reason logically." Villanova has also placed people in the Department of Labor and Commerce, the Federal Reserve in Washington and other top banks, brokerage houses and insurance companies.

Although this major is very promising to all that pursue it, the University has had a sufficient drop in the number of economic majors. The economics department is hoping to increase the number of students seeking this degree. In 1991, 130 Arts and Science students were majoring in economics. This year, the number has dropped to 16. If you are interested in more information regarding this major and its requirements, please contact Dr. Mathis at x94370.

The Villanovan Top 10

Straight from the offices of Johnny Quest and Haji, the top ten things Jon, Joe and Karen learned during their year as editors

10. Villanova really does have a radio station
9. Fr. Stack is no fan of barbequing on Dougherty's roof
8. FYI's are really friggin' important to some people
7. Some wurdz are spellt wierd
6. Libel laws don't apply to the inside boxes
5. Top Ten's are a lot funnier at four in the morning
4. UNIT doesn't take kindly to a little constructive criticism
3. Pete and Sheldon are two distinct people
2. Boba Fett really does rhyme with Nova Fest

and the No. 1 thing Jon, Joe and Karen learned . . .

1. The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation but are occasionally moved to kvetch about trivial things so they can see their names in print

Habitat for Humanity Spring '97 break trip applications are now available in Campus Ministry. Applications are due on Monday, Nov. 25.

What is the "Gender Gap?"

Do men and women see issues differently? Do they vote differently?

Join Villanova professors Terry Nance (Communication Arts) and Matt Kerbel (Political Science) and find answers to these questions at a discussion on *"The Gender Gap and the 1996 Elections"*

Wednesday, December 4, 4:00 p.m. — Room 300 SAC

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Screeching Weasel falls away from old formula

By ANN GAVAGHAN
Staff Reporter

Once upon a time there was a wonderfully snotty pop-punk band called Screeching Weasel. They hailed from Chicago and crafted two-minute rollicking blasts of vitriol and were reviled throughout the land because their lead singer was an opinionated jerk. But people kept buying their records because they were very, very good.

Suddenly, the band decided to break up. They released a final album of rarer cuts from their days of glory and ceased to exist. Three of the members, including the opinionated lead singer, formed a new band called The Riverdales, who did not play snotty music at all, but pop-punk ballads. In fact, the band seemed to want nothing more than to become the Ramones, which would be a good thing if the Ramones did not already exist and do such a good job at being the Ramones. The Riverdales toured the country opening for mega-huge superstars Green Day, but failed to become superstars themselves.

Magically, amidst all the punk bands from the days of yore that were reforming to cash in upon the punk rock craze among the kids, Screeching Weasel rose like a phoenix from the ashes of its breakup and released a new album. The many fans of the band were happy and believed the days of piss and vinegar would soon begin anew. But then they found out that Screeching Weasel had abandoned their old label to sign with Fat Wreck Chords, a label notorious for churning out bands that all sound exactly the same. Trepidation settled upon the leather jacketed masses who wondered: "Had Screeching Weasel lost their Screech?" Only the new album, *Bark Like A Dog*, held the answer.

Having listened to *Bark Like A Dog*, it would have to be said that the Screech, while present on most songs, has been reduced to a whimper at times. The album should have been released as a split between Screeching Weasel and the Whimpering Bunnies. Some of the songs are so soft, one can imagine soccer moms playing them as they carpool the kids to ballet practice.

But, there is good news. Due to the distinct vocal style of Ben Weasel, as well as some excellent guitar work, this album rises above most of the mediocre pop-punk released by Fat nowadays. A few of its songs will even go down as classics within the Screeching Weasel collection.

"Phasers on Kill" is a toe-tapping paean to the wonders of 24th century technology for a 20th century breakup. "(She Got) Electroshocked," clearly influenced by the Ramones, blares from the stereo like a shockwave itself, and Ben Weasel apparently answers his critics in the punk rock community with the rollicking "Get Off My Back" and "Cool Kids."

Even some of the slower songs are good. The best lyrics on the album come from mid-tempo "You'll Be In My Dreams Today." It is funny, touching, and so real to sing lines like,"I'll run my yellow fingers through your yellow hair/my yellow teeth will pull off your underwear." And the ballad, "Your Name Is Tattooed On My Heart" is genuinely lovely. I would consider playing this one at my wedding. However, most of the love songs (or, to be accurate, the not-in-love songs) are clinkers. "Handcuffed To You," an ode about the downside of bondage, has a funny concept that is ruined by the Beach Boys-esque arrangement. While listening to the song, "It's Not Enough," one feels like screaming at the stereo, "it's not enough PUNK!" Some of the songs on this album suffer from containing the Screeching Weasel wit subjected to the Riverdales music—a little too much pop in the pop punk formula.

Still, any album by Screeching Weasel is a cause for joy. There is enough meanness on this album to justify its purchase, especially for those who are already Screeching Weasel fans.

However, for those who are new to the snot-punk genre, it might be a better idea to buy older Screeching Weasel releases to get an idea of what they were like before they fell in love or grew up or whatever it was that caused them to soften up.

Artists have to grow and change, but when a band like Screeching Weasel does something so well, it is a shame to see them try their hand at a more formulaic style—and fail to rise above the formula. So while it is too early to tell if there is a happy ending to the Screeching Weasel saga, *Bark Like A Dog* will at least keep us interested in the rest of the story.

PHOTO CREDIT: TIM CARLSON

Screeching Weasel softens up the punk scene with *Bark Like a Dog*

At the movies with T. Bone and The Thrill: "Swingers"

By WILL FERGUSON and TERENCE J. MCCARTHY
Staff Reporters

John Favreau, who is most recognizable for his supporting roles in such top quality films as "Rudy" and "P.C.U" (hint of sarcasm), reveals his true talent as a writer/lead actor in this fall's funniest comedy, "Swingers."

This independently produced film, directed by Doug Liman, is your typical story of an aspiring comedian who, fresh out of college, moves from N.Y.C. to L.A. in order to pursue his struggling career. After living in L.A. for six months, all Mikey (Jon Favreau) can talk about, to the disillusionment of his friends, is his ex-girlfriend Michelle, who, after a six-year relationship, dumps him for another guy.

Despite the constant encouragement of his peers, most fervently by his womanizer friend Trent (Vince Vaughn): "Mikey, your so money baby and you don't even know it," he continually flounders with the ladies. From the trendy L.A. nightclubs to the bright lights of Vegas, Mikey has about as much luck with the opposite sex as my smooth talking partner in crime T. Bone.

While his friends are swinging "babies" with a turnover ratio likened to that of McDonald's, Mikey is left high and dry, questioning his manhood and contemplating a move back East. Yet, just as we are about to throw the towel in on Mikey, he gets the groove on, and to the disbelief of his buddies, scores a hotty named Lorraine. At the conclusion of the film, Mikey is forced to decide between Michelle and Lorraine, as is predicted in the opening scene of the film, and his monumental decision brings a unique humor and closure to the film.

THE THRILL- "Swingers" is funny, but in a different sort of way. It is a situational comedy rather than a punch line comedy, so relaying the humor second hand is like telling a story in which, "you had to be there." Regardless, the film's amusement is found in its realism; in essence, it is a slice of life which one can easily relate to. I tip my hat to Vince Vaughn (Trent) who, in my opinion, steals the show, with his unique, fast-paced slang and his ability to make the detested stereotype of a womanizer, likable as well as genuine.

Catch Villanova's own Siskel and Ebert, T. Bone and The Thrill, as they review the most popular new movies right here in the Entertainment Section every week.

T. BONE - "'Swingers?' Never heard of it? Whose in it? Who directed it?" These are all questions I asked myself as I entered the movie. Little did I know, I was about to see a hilarious, thought-provoking comedy about the most trivial subjects of all, life and love.

The movie is a succession of scenes where good friends are hanging out and discussing the positive and negative aspects of women. Of all the scenes, there are two which stand out foremost in my mind. The first is of Trent and Mikey's trip to Vegas. Anyone who has taken a late night trip to A.C. will know exactly what I am talking about. The second is a parody/tribute to Quentin Tarantino's masterpiece "Reservoir Dogs." You will know it when you see it.

Although my ignorant cohort was bedazzled by the flashy "player" Trent, the show stealer truly proves to be Farveau and the overall role he plays in the film. First, as a writer, he proves to be original, witty and very much up on modern lingo. This is not some movie written by an out-of-date geezer, like Penny Marshall, who has no sense or comprehension of our generation.

Obviously writing about his own personal life experiences, Farveau has a real understanding of the times and creates a narrative which is intriguing and free flowing. As for his acting, he is marvelous as the pathetic Mikey, giving the character a real sense of believability. He showcases his enormous talents throughout the film and is a name to watch out for in the future.

This movie does for the '90s what Linklater's "Dazed and Confused" did for the '70s and in my opinion, is a "can't miss," destined to become a cult classic.

In conclusion, The Thrill and T. Bone strongly urge you to splurge the $10 on a ticket a soda and some popcorn this up coming weekend and go see this " Seinfeldesque" film.

Chalk Farm's newest launches success

By ANTHONY P. CENTOLA
Staff Reporter

A new single and new tour are positioning Chalk Farm for sweet success. The band has been on a roll this year since they signed a record deal, recorded their first album, released their first single and announced dates for their first national tour. Chalk Farm's debut album, *non-withstanding*, has been receiving excellent reviews throughout the country. Their first single, "Lie On Lie," has already hit the Top 20 on *Billboard* magazine's rock tracks chart.

The Los Angeles based quartet is made up of Michael Duff, guitars and vocals; Toby Scarbrough, drums; Trace Ritter, guitars; and Orlando Sims on bass guitar. The band was formed two years ago when Duff and Sims met and began writing songs together. Catching the ear of Porno for Pyro's producer Matt Hyde, the band went into the studio to record material for their first album. The *Los Angeles Daily News* describes Chalk Farm's debut album as "a solid effort that brings to mind the '60s- influenced songwriting and playing of Counting Crows and the Wallflowers."

Chalk Farm, musically, is worth a listen. The band blends modern guitar stylings with some acoustic flavors. While Duff sings lead on all the tracks, the rest of the band contributes backup harmonies on "Hey" and "Live Tomorrow." Chalk Farm's melodic modern rock sound is a result of the individual styles and tastes combined by all four members. Duff stated, "We all share in the writing, so it's a shared vision . . . I've never been with a group of people like this where they got along so well, both musically and personally."

Chalk Farm is currently on tour with Better Than Ezra in support of *nonwithstanding*. They will be in Philadelphia on Nov. 29, at the Theater of Living Arts on South Street.

PHOTO CREDIT: MARINA CHAVEZ

Check out Chalk Farm with Better Than Ezra at the TLA Nov. 29

Agents of Good Roots rock in the Belle Air

By DAVE VERICA
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Friday night's concert in the Belle Air Terrace with the Richmond, Va. based band, The Agents of Good Roots, inevitably proved to be entertaining. Beset with delays caused in part by the sound crew, the show got off to a late start. Finally, around 9:50 p.m., after quickly checking the microphones that kept falling over and quieting the Ben Fold's Five CD which had been playing, they slipped into the set.

Hopefully, the band's experiences on the HORDE tour this past summer were not as riddled with such inconveniences. But, they must have learned something because they certainly did not seem phased by Friday's delays. The first song, "Moving On," began with a distorted, looping guitar lick, which is sort of odd considering lead singer/guitarist Andrew Winn plays a classical acoustic guitar. His vocals were certainly loud enough, but no particular words could really be detected. The band members seemed perfectly comfortable, even though for the first half of the song they were not quite playing together.

As they moved on to the second song, "One Strange Night," their talent began to be revealed. Both the drummer, Brian Jones, and the bassist, Stewart Myers, substantially complimented the lead vocals with hearty backing vocals. The audience, albeit a select few of the Villanova student population, seemed to be warming up to the night's plate of musical entertainment.

The next two songs particularly highlighted the maturity and strength of the rhythm section. They both shone as the choruses came around and the band started to sing their Phish-y melodies. The third song sounded peculiarly reminiscent of ones by the Dave Matthews Band, while coming darn close to the white-boy-rap of bands like Soul Coughing. In the fourth song, "Turn Me On," the drummer exhibited a crafted sense of control while really beginning to pump the set with a slight exuberance.

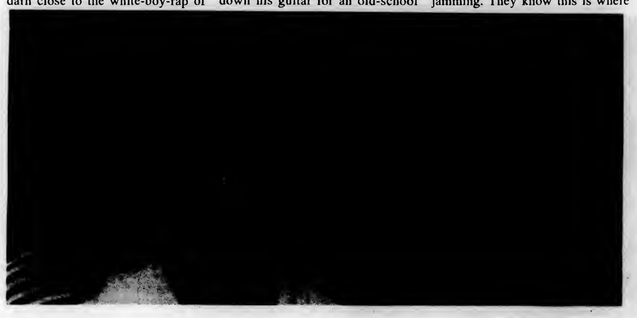
Before proceeding to the next song, the vocalist politely asked what was going on here at V.U., and the only audible response was "it sucks." Well, not everyone was so disappointed; after all, at least students did not have to pay. Vocalist Winn switched instruments for the next few songs. He laid down his guitar for an old-school Silvertone, student organ; the result was classic sound. Then the band hopped into some blues based material, the kind of songs that can grab listeners right from the first bar. Some people might have been lost as the song progressed into an instrumental exploratory interlude; but others were certainly appeased at having witnessed more than just typical song formats.

This band is obviously happy playing within the void of semi-structured jamming. They know this is where they want to be--feeding off each other and feeding off the crowd. Exploration is ultimately where it is at, and the band's indulgence certainly pleased the audience.

The Agents then took a brief break, barely enough time for me to ask the drummer a few questions about the HORDE tour and the band's future prospects. Brian said they certainly learned a lot about themselves and about the music industry. They plan to keep on moving along on their endless tour with their two crew members and their two vans going anywhere they can.

After the break the Agents came back quite invigorated; how they found such inspiration among the couches in the lower floor still remains a mystery. They traversed successfully through some new songs while the vocalist urged the audience, who had bought the disc during intermission, to sing along since they now had the lyrics. A nicely updated and fairly steppy version of Bob Dylan's "Tangled Up in Blue" further complimented the second set.

Although at this point the show was beginning to be worth the wait, some listeners could not hold out until the end and left. The overall talent and character of the Agents of Good Roots ultimately proved to be quite entertaining and satisfying , especially because their concert was free.



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Fresh off the HORDE tour, The Agents of Good Roots bring their experience with them to Villanova.

P.J. Harvey's power shocks

By CARA BECKERICH
Entertainment Editor

The words of Polly Jean Harvey merged with the music of John Parish is a combination that throws a paralyzing, potent, hypnotizing power. *Dance Hall at Louse Point*, the collaborative effort of the two, is as beautiful as a clandestine kiss by the light of the moon.

Polly Jean, better known as PJ, has been shocking the music world ever since her 1993 album, *Rid of Me*. With songs such as "50 ft. Queenie" and "Down by the Water," both of which received a decent amount of air time on MTV, she established herself as a powerful voice in a world where women are hardly ever given a fair chance.

Harvey's voice has the power to sneak up and stage an ambush with a force that is not to be reckoned with. The seductiveness that rockets from her mouth is enough to make even blood squirm. She possesses a total command over each quiver and each waver in her voice. Fluxuating between hoarse whispers and beautifully bellowing screams, Harvey becomes a lyrical goddess.

Complemented by the heavy gothic sounds of Parish's music, *Dance Hall at Louse Point* is a serious emotional roller coaster. The blending of the words and music creates a magical image of a massive, ornately carved and inlaid solid wood door gracing a medieval European church. The massiveness of the door is the music that slowly lines each song, filled with quite intricate beauties, yet dark and formidable. The light that seeps out slowly as the door is opened is Harvey, the voice of an angel.

Parish, who co-produced PJ Harvey's last album *To Bring You My Love* also played the guitar and percussion in Harvey's band throughout '95. During this time Harvey and Parish wrote the songs for Dance Hall. "John and I have wanted to do an album together for a long time now. This is the first time I've written words to someone else's music. It's been an enlightening experience," says Harvey.

The tenth track, a cover of a Peggy Lee song, "Is That All There Is?" is the first single, and was featured in the movie "Basquiat." It is just one of the many gems hidden on this album.The only truly depressing aspect of *Dance Hall at Louse Point* is that Harvey and Parish do not have any U.S. dates planned to support the album.

PHOTO CREDIT: ISLAND RECORDS

P.J. Harvey teams up with John Parish to produce *Dance Hall At Louse Point*. The combination proves to be both lyrical and inspiring.

Eating on the Main Line: Starbucks

By SARA HOUCK
Staff Reporter

If the quest for the perfect gift leads one to Suburban Square in Ardmore this holiday season, Starbucks Coffee is an ideal place for weary shoppers to rest their tired feet and enjoy a great cup of coffee.

Along with typical coffeehouse favorites such as espressos and lattes, the menu also offers a large variety of teas and hot cocoas for non- coffee drinkers. There is even a special holiday menu with hot ciders and speciality blends.

Upon entering Starbucks, one steps almost immediately into a somewhat lengthy line at the end of which is the counter where orders are taken. When one moves closer to the counter, the case containing a wide variety of delicious pastries and desserts becomes visible.

A feature that proves very helpful for first time visitors is that in place of framed artwork on the walls, there are framed charts depicting the contents of the various drinks one can order.

With orders placed and mugs in hand, the next step in the Starbucks experience is finding a table. Most tables are situated next to the large windows on either side of the store, a set-up which lends itself nicely to people watching.

The only problem with seating is that most tables are for two, and if one' s party is larger than that it becomes increasingly difficult to find one space to accommodate their party.

My companions and I enjoyed our Cafe Mochas, a delightful coffee drink complete with a hint of chocolate and steamed milk, as well as our desserts. The walnut brownies are quite tasty and a good size portion is offered for the price, but they proved to be a little too rich to finish. The butter croissants are light and delicious, as are the blueberry danishes, which have a hint of cinnamon swirled throughout them, making for a distinctive taste.

Overall, our journey to Starbucks was an enjoyable one, with the only complaint being that the floor was scattered with the crumbly remnants of various diners' desserts. There are also other locations of Starbucks Coffee throughout the Philadelphia area, including stores in Wayne and on South Street, to name a few. A stop at any of these locations is sure to be a treat.

The Cardigans please fans with *First Band on the Moon*

By MARISSA DI MEO
Staff Reporter

First things first: Break out the disco ball and get to dancing. On the Cardigans' third release, *First Band on the Moon*, the band comes through with a fresh new sound that definitely plants them firmly in the ground of the indie rock scene.

The Cardigans are a pop quintet from Sweden that have earned themselves a huge global following, not only from their own country, but from such countries as Japan and England. Now taking on the U.S. scene, and also making a appearance on the "Romeo and Juliet" Soundtrack, they proceed to serve up a tasty dish of pop music with a retro twist.

Their latest album is syrupy-sweet and leans toward a sound that is sort of a slow-to-mid-tempo alternative rock. *First Band on the Moon* shows the Cardigans fine-tuning their pop smarts and clearly becoming the darlings of the quickly growing Swedish indie pop scene. The lyrics from "Love fool": "Love me, love me/Say that you'll love me" do not have to be pounded into the heads of music lovers.

Call it loungecore, call it schmaltzy, but please, do not call it a cheap jab at an Abba revival. The Cardigans are genuinely inventive, taking cultural references from '60s England while creating a unique style of their own. With Peter Svenson writing mostly all the Cardigans' songs and Nina Persson and the band contributing to the lyrical aspect of the album, they have altered the traditional rock sounds with a spunk, new-wave bounce.

The Cardigans' melodic talent is candy-coated with catchy beats that make one grateful that there is more to Sweden than Ace of Base, Roxette, and Abba (hey, wait a minute...they are COOL!) They even do a cutely endearing cover of Black Sabbath's "Iron Man."

Along with Black Sabbath, the Cardigans can also be found listening to their other favorite bands like Metallica and Pantera. Contrasting with their musical tastes, the band mixes pop and jazz with a distinctive '60s feel that emits a sound slightly reminiscent to the likes of Sam Philips.

As addicting as Nintendo and as enduring as the Macarena, *First Band on the Moon* will leave one with a longing for the days of bell-bottoms and platform shoes. The Cardigans are continuing to please fans with their surging tempos and stylish representation of a genre that is being reawakened and revamped. Look out, because this band is about to blast off.

Rush's *Test for Echo* excites

By ANTHONY CENTOLA
Staff Reporter

After 22 years together, Rush still remains a major force in the world of rock music. Rush played the Core States Center last week in support of their new album and tour. The new album, as well as their new single, is titled *Test for Echo*.

On this tour, Rush has no opening act, which means that they play two sets with a 20 minute intermission. Altogether, Rush played about three hours to a near capacity crowd last week. Throughout the night Geddy Lee (bass guitar and vocals), Alex Lifeson (guitars) and Neil Peart (drums), collaborated to make the show an intense representation of their material, past and present. Lasers, a giant video monitor and surround-sound speakers at the rear of the arena, helped make this one of Rush's most elaborate stage performances.

The first set opened with "Dreamline," and included hits such as "Closer To The Heart," "Animate" and "Red Sector A". Their new single "Test For Echo," opened the second set where giant satellites overcame the stage emitting laser beams in every direction. At the halfway point of the second set, Neil Peart tranced the audience with his infamous drum solo. The remainder of the show included "Subdivisions," "The Spirit Of Radio," "Roll The Bones" and the classic "Tom Sawyer."

The new album is a must for all Rush fans. They display various images both through their lyrics and their music. Their musical dynamics are displayed through such songs as "Driven" and "Resist." Rush has been around for many years, mostly because the band members are very talented and have a distinct sound. Rush will be on tour in the U.S. though the fall, and are planning a U.S. tour for the summer.

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Rush rocks the CoreStates Center, promoting their latest CD.

Cultural Film Series' preview

By TERENCE J. MCCARTHY
Staff Reporter

Internationally acclaimed Spanish director, Pedro Almodovar, portrays the ups and downs of the upper middle class in Madrid in this week's Cultural Film Series presentation of "The Flower of My Secret."

Almodovar, arguably best known for his previous works "Tie Me Up! Tie Me Down!"and "Woman on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown," follows the life of Leo, a successful romance novelist, a la Jackie Collins, whose own personal love life is ironically in shambles. The movie focuses on Leo's severe marital problems and her struggles to come to terms with her true identity.

First, Leo lives a life of duplicity. She writes sleazy novels under the pseudonym of Amanda Gris, and no one but her editor knows the truth. This dual identity and the deceit which pervades her character, are the building blocks for the mid-life crisis in which she finds herself emersed.

Secondly, her husband, who is a U.N. delegate, is having an affair with her best friend.

He is very shallow and self centered. This is characterized by his neglect of Leo's personal needs. He is more concerned with the Bosnian peace talks than with their relationship. She makes numerous attempts to reconcile the relationship, yet each fails miserably. As negative images and thoughts of death fill her mind, he cannot bear the loss of his love and the looming collapse of her marriage; she now has nowhere to turn to but the bottle.

As her life appears to have hit rock bottom, Leo gains an optimistic, renewed sense of life through her mother. The two make a trek back to the family village, enabling Leo to come to pertinent realizations which change her life dramatically.

"The Flower of My Secret" is a film about the human ability to overcome isolation, solitude and depression. Almodovar makes this apparent by following Leo as she works through her problems, realigns her relationships and cuts through the deceit which encompasses and characterizes her life.

"The Flower of My Secret" will have four screenings in the University's Connelly Cinema: Saturday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 24 at both 3:30 and 7 p.m.; Monday, Nov.30, at 7 p.m.

Monday's showing will be introduced by guest speaker Archie Perlmutter, who will lead a discussion "Almodovar--The Flower of Spanish Cinema" following the screening.

Admission is $3 for students with I.D. and $4 for the general public. For more information, call x94750 on weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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E N T E R T A I N M E N T

Streisand's film leaves for mixed reviews

By PAULA GIARDINA
Staff Reporter

Sex is not love... or is it? This is the theme of the new Barbara Streisand film "A Mirror Has Two Faces." In this film, produced, directed by and starring Streisand, this issue is completely examined. Rose, played by Streisand, is a Columbia University literature professor with no self-esteem.

She has lived her entire life in the shadows of the beauty of her mother and sister. She herself is an intellectual with a stout inner beauty that glows through her eyes.

This inner specialness is noticed by a fellow professor. Gregory, played by Jeff Bridges, is an attractive math professor with an insatiable sex drive. After he has been left by yet another beautiful young thing, he comes to the realization that sex inhibits love.

Sex hides and ruins it, and no one can be happy in a relationship where love is concerned, because sex gets in the way. And so he vows not to let this happen any more.

Gregory takes out an ad in the newspaper. Claire, Rose's beautiful sister, responds to the ad for her. The two meet, and Gregory gets exactly what he wants- a woman with a head on her shoulders and a loving relationship without the complications. So the two court in an unusual way, leaving kissing and sex by the wayside.

Time continues, and the two pseudo-lovers decide that they should take the next step — get married and live together as companions. Gregory believes that this is the ultimate relationship in life, the mathematical equation to protecting oneself from getting hurt. Rose, who believes that she may never find someone as wonderful and attractive as Gregory, feels that even though there may be no hope for romantic love in this equation, she cannot possibly turn away an offer like the one that is proposed to her.

With the hopes that his feelings will change and that he would learn to love her, she agrees to marry him, and the two start their life together.

The inevitable happens. Rose falls madly in love with Gregory, and she would like to consummate their marriage. It has been months since they have been married, and the two have not so much as even kissed. Rose makes her move, and takes Gregory off guard. She begins to kiss him, and Gregory does not know exactly what to do.

After a few moments of confusion, he jumps off of her, and runs to take a cold shower. When he comes out of the bathroom, Rose is sitting on one of their two twin beds crying. Gregory tries to comfort her, but his jumbled words only make things worse. In the middle of the night, Rose leaves her husband. The next day he must leave for a business trip to Europe. He tries incessantly to call her, but she will not take any of his calls.

Three months later, Gregory returns to find his wife a changed woman She has dropped four dress sizes, dyed her hair and is considered beautiful by many people. Men who previously found her unattractive now swoon as she walks by.

Rose realizes that she is beautiful, and what she settled for in her relationship with Gregory. When he gets home from Europe, she tells him this and she leaves him again... this time for real.

This change throws Gregory for a loop, because he realizes that he did love Rose... the old Rose, who wore no make-up, and hid Ringdings in the night stand. He goes crazy without her. Will the new Rose take him back?

This unconventional love story is seemingly disturbing. It is more of a social commentary on how sex is viewed in the ' 90s. And it leaves the viewer with one question, "Are sex and love the same thing?" Is " The Mirror has Two Faces" worth spending the $7? Perhaps, but the title should be changed to"Romantics Need Not Apply."

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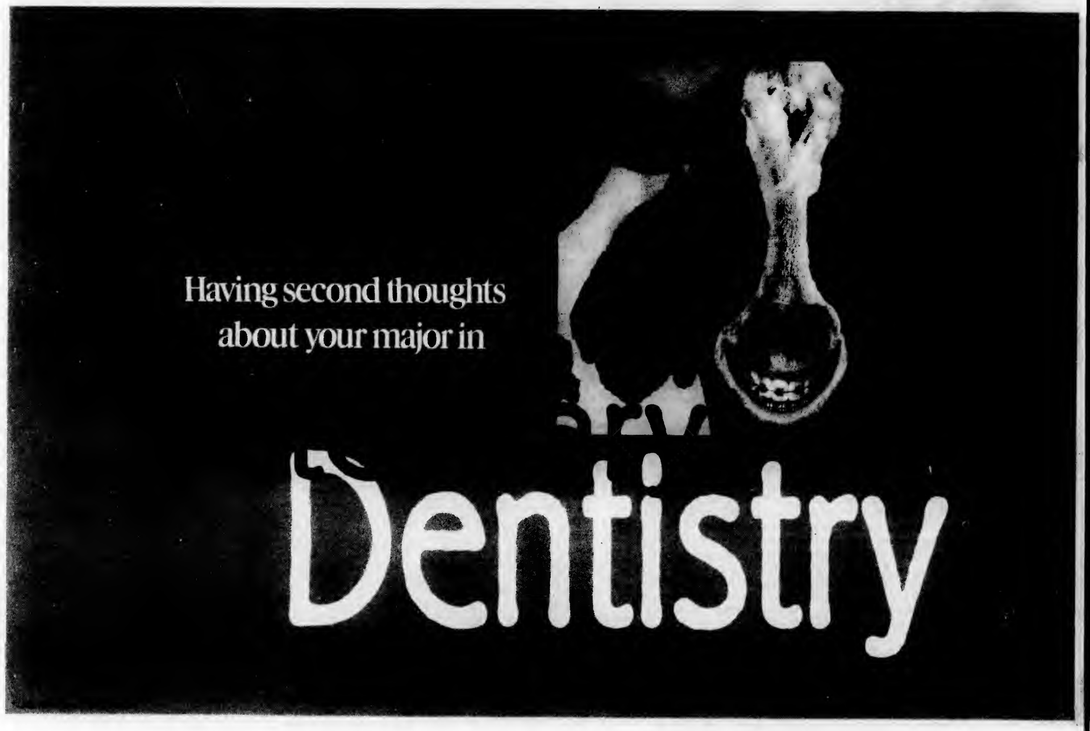

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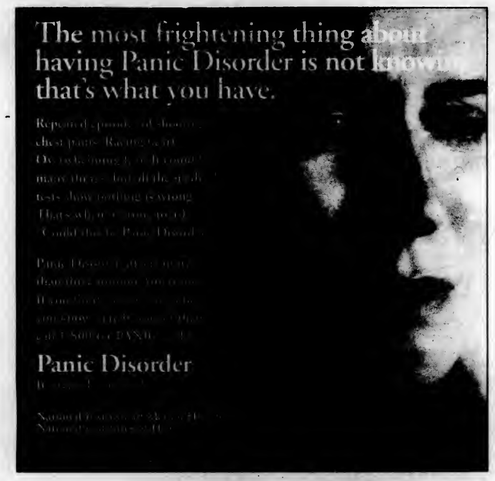

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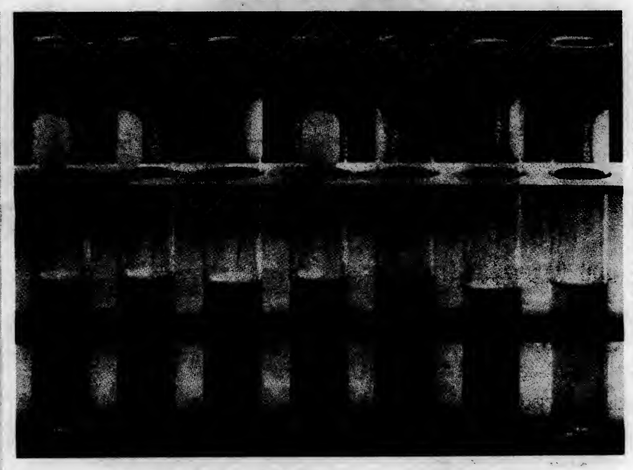

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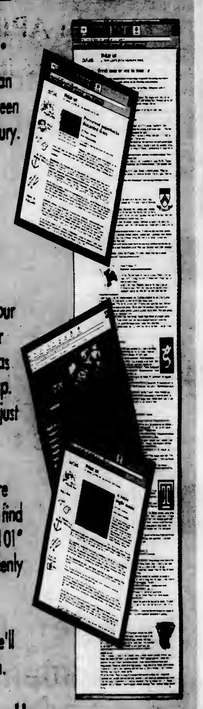

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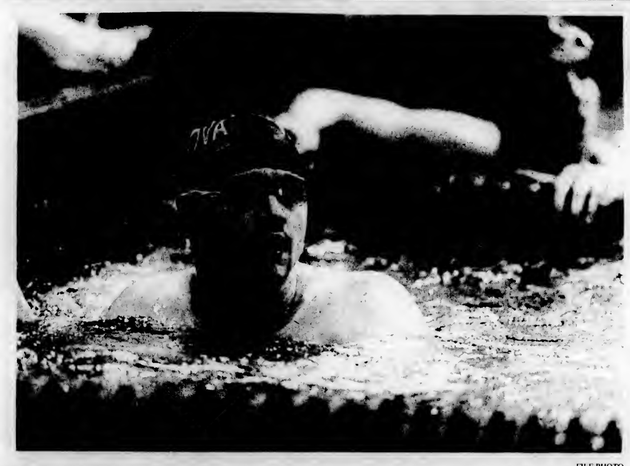

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The men's and women's swim teams both opened their seasons in Georgia this past weekend and battled against top-notch competition. They will be well-prepared for the Big East as a result.

Men's swimming finishes seventh in Georgia meet

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

The men's swim team (1-3 overall; 0-2 Big East) faced its toughest competition so far this season at the Georgia Invitational, which included teams from Georgia, Florida State, Kansas, Clemson, N.C. State and Miami.

The 'Cats placed in the top eight in only two events, earning 212.5 points and a seventh place overall finish.

In the distance freestyle events, freshman Matt Montrasio finished 18th in the 1650 in 16:27.07. In the sprints, less that a second separated third place from 13th place in the 100, where junior Jared Lucan finished 13th in 47.17 and senior Tom Tracey finished 14th in 51.92.

'Nova's lone individual bright spot in the meet came with Tracey's best effort of the day. In the 200 backstroke, he was out-touched by Georgia's Kris Babylon to take second place in a time of 1:48.44.

In the same event, junior Gus Membiela placed 14th in 1:55.31 and David Halko touched 23rd in 2:01.44. Freshman Joe Perez and Membiela put in good efforts in the 200 breastroke and 200 butterfly, respectively, to each place 23rd.

In the final event of the day, Villanova's 400 free relay team of Lucan, Vince Allegra, Sal Suau and Tracey finished sixth in a time of 3:08.14.

The team hopes to improve its record on the road this weekend, traveling to Princeton Saturday to take on the Tigers at 10 a.m.

Volleyball is ready

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Syracuse. Evans had a stellar performance with 18 kills, 10 block assists and six digs. O'Brien turned in 10 kills and 15 digs. Jones led the team with 23 digs and six kills. Picco had four kills, four digs and eight block assists. Davidson contributed five kills, four digs and five block assists.

Under the direction of Head Coach M.J. Engstrom and the leadership of Captains Picco, Evans and Davidson, the Wildcats have compiled a 20-7 overall record, an 8-3 record in the Big East and a 9-4 in-season tournament record.

The Wildcats will look to be successful in the Big East Tournament that begins this weekend, and if they are, 'Nova has the potential to receive an at-large bid for the NCAA Tournament.

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MONDAY

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ADPi	4	0
Chi Omega	3	1
Top Guns	2	1
Rebel Rousers	1	2
SBCOC	0	3
The Bobettes	0	4

CO-ED
MONDAY

Name	W	L
The City Sixers	4	0
Austin Airheads	4	0
Tube Socks	2	2
Cider Jack	1	3
The Rolling Rocks	1	3
Hermits	0	4

WEDNESDAY

The Freshman	4	0
Mad Skillz	3	1
Spikers	2	2
APO	1	3
Sophomore Sensations	1	3
Jalepeno Hot Dogs	1	3

MEN
TUESDAY

Name	W	L
Dining Room Table	3	0
Team Sony	3	0
McGuire's Load	3	1
Santeria	2	2
It's All Good	0	4
SAE	0	4

Name	W	L
Six Pack O Natty	4	0
The Public Safeties	2	2
Spiked Punch	2	2
Bone Thugs	0	4

WEDNESDAY

Name	W	L
Macheteros	4	0
Minerva's Raiders	3	1
APD	3	1
Fed Heads	1	3
Sigma Nu	0	4

Soccer Playoffs

Although Jack Frost was nipping at their noses, players came out to compete with their gloves and hats on for the soccer playoffs that ran from Nov. 3-14. The freezing weather did not, however, affect any of the teams' effort. In the men's league, the Figgs, Bayern Munchen, McGuire InMates and the All Stars made it to the semifinals. After two tough games only the Figgs and the All Stars remained standing for the final on the evening of Nov. 14. The Figgs were the favorite because of their undefeated regular season record. After the teams had battled it out, the All Stars emerged victorious by a score of 1-0.

The women's league also showcased fierce competition for the playoffs. Advancing to the semifinals were Alpha Chi Omega, Stanford Stallions, Foxfire and The Bomb. The Stanford Stallions and Foxfire, who had identical records heading into the playoffs, competed for the championship. Foxfire, a team of Law School students, came up with the win and the title of intramural champions. They attribute their victory to years of soccer experience.

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S P O R T S

KLICK'S KORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Editor-in-Chief

A few weeks ago, I and a certain right-wing editor made a gentleman's wager concerning our beloved Wildcats. The essence of the bet concerned whether or not freshman phenom Tim Thomas would outscore Jason Lawson over the course of the season.

I put my marbles on Lawson. It seemed like the obvious choice. Supposedly this year's team was going to be Lawson's team. Everyone from Coach Lappas on down the line claimed that Lawson was going to be the focus of the Wildcat attack. Also, I thought I had an ace in the hole in the fact that Lawson and the Cats' point guard are best buddies.

Granted, I had some fears about my guy. For the past three years, I've seen Lawson score just about every time he gets the ball down low. The trouble is, at best, that happens maybe five or six times a game. But Lappas eased those fears when he reported on Media Day that he finally instituted some set plays designed specifically to get Lawson the ball on the blocks. Apparently, however, the team's keeping those plays hidden as some kind of secret weapon for use later in the season, because, as far as I've seen, there have been no offensive changes. Against Puerto Rico, Lawson got just eight shots which is fewer than even Rafal Bigus got.

My situation does not look good. In the first exhibition game, even though he struggled immensely, Thomas still put together a nice little box score line, and in the second game, he looked as though he could score in any way at any time. Thomas looked like he'd been playing with the Cats for years the way he used the motion to get any shot he wanted. Granted, Puerto Rico is not exactly top-notch competition, but it's the same competition everyone else on the team was playing against.

Quite frankly, although it would pain me greatly to lose a sports bet to someone who knows as little about basketball as Mr. Perspective (Now if it were Fire or Ice I could maybe understand, and I would bow to their wealth of sports knowledge), I do want to see the Wildcats play the best ball of which they are capable regardless of what it costs me. If that means T squared needs to go out and hit for 25 every night then so be it.

I believe there's more than just my good name at stake here. If Lawson were put in the position of being the go-to-guy on just about every possession, he has the talent and experience to take this team to the top. The only question that remains is will he ever be given the chance.

Praising the virtues of Howard Brown

By JON NEHLSEN
Sports Editor

And He said, "Let there be Kittles." And there was Kerry. And he was good.

Actually, calling him good is an insult. After the countless three-pointers, powerful rebounds and artful finishes, there is only one way to describe him--the best. And when he took his act to the next level, Kittles left a gaping hole in the hearts of fans as well as the team.

Last year at this time Cats enthusiasts everywhere were thankful that the team would enjoy Kittles' services for one last year. And no one was happier than Howard Brown. The then-freshman guard came to Villanova to play behind and learn from his hero. In fact, Brown even played his senior year with one sock up, just like Kittles.

Brown's eagerness to emulate his mentor is understandable. In the end, Brown can truly relate to the Kerry Kittles saga. Each was an above-average high school player, certainly capable of competing at the Division I level. But each arrived at Villanova without the national fanfare and media blitz that so often follows the recruiting of big-name high school players. Neither was as highly touted as many of their Big East contemporaries.

And the similarities do not end there. Brown's game is somewhat reminiscent of Kittles' game. He loves to step outside and shoot the three and is a tremendous defensive player. In addition, Brown is every bit as explosive a leaper as his predecessor. But despite Brown's noticeable potential, entering the season, there was a great deal of uncertainty as to his ability to fill Kittles' giant shoes.

Monday night, Brown seems to have answered the critics. The tentativeness which last year characterized Brown's offensive game was long gone. It wasn't so much the two three-pointers that Brown buried. It wasn't even his 6-of-7 shooting from the floor. It was something more intangible. It was the look in his eye.

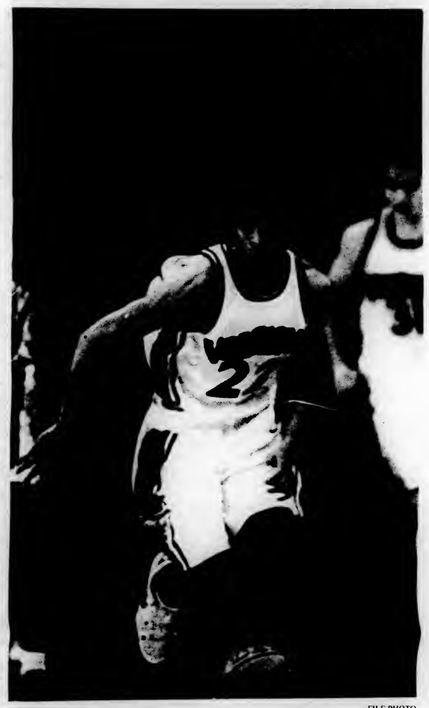
Even the most casual fan could see the confidence that brimmed from the sophomore. Midway through the first half, Brown went baseline and threw down a dunk over two opposing players. Then, just as Kittles would have done after a brilliant play, Brown quietly collected himself and hurried back down to play defense.

Although the local media may question Brown's game, Coach Steve Lappas seems quite confident in the guard's ability. Brown has started at the shooting guard position in each of the team's two exhibition games. In the second half of Monday's game, Lappas sat John Celestand and Alvin Williams in an effort to let Brown showcase his ball handling ability. On the first two trips down the floor, he looked capable. He twice called the play, passed the ball to the wing and rotated into the motion offense.

Then it happened. The moment his critics have all been waiting for. Howard Brown dribbled to the top of the arc and, in a flash, made a crossover move and penetrated into the lane. Teammate Malik Allen quickly cut to the bucket and Brown made a fantastic no-look dish to the freshman. Last season, Brown hesitated putting the ball on the floor on the perimeter, much less taking the ball strong to the hoop. Now his maturity is obvious. His demons are exorcized.

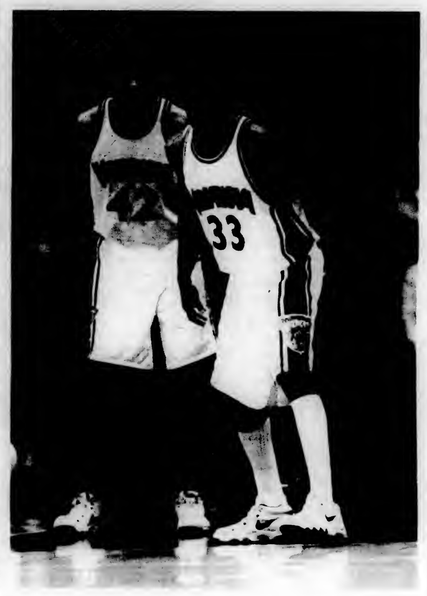
One good game is not sufficient reason to compare Howard Brown to Kerry Kittles. But if one thing is for sure, the sophomore benefitted immensely from his year behind the living legend. This year, he looks ready to show what he has learned. And when journalists analyze this team, they will not speak of the gaping hole left in the backcourt by Kittles departure. They will speak of Villanova's ability to develop its guards. They will say that the young players are merely carrying on what Kerry started. And they will say that Howard Brown is here to stay.

And on the eighth day, He created . . .Howard (Lappas 2:96-97).



FILE PHOTO

Everyone knows that Howard Brown can dunk. With improved shooting, the sky might be the only limit for this young high flyer.



FILE PHOTO

Making a badly-kept secret a reality, the athletic department announced Monday that Zeffy Penn would be donning a redshirt this season.

Zeffy Penn to wear redshirt this year

By DON MEIER
Assistant Sports Editor

Before the Cats tipped off their final preseason tune-up on Monday the athletic department made a not very quiet rumor official. The announcement was made that Zeffy Penn will wear a redshirt during the 1996-97 season. He will return to play the following season while finishing his degree.

"I'm coming back next year to do my student teaching, so coach [Steve Lappas] asked me to think about it over the summer," Penn said. "I thought about it and I thought it was a good idea to redshirt this year and come back next year and play."

Penn admitted that he was surprised at first by Lappas's request, but when he considered the fact that he would not be able to fulfill all of his requirements in the Spring and that he was going to be returning to school anyway, the decision made a lot of sense to him.

This is a move that has its definite potential pluses and minuses for the team. There will be a dearth of leadership next season; without Penn's return there would be no recruited seniors on the roster. Penn will fill that void quite nicely, but the question as to whether the Cats might have been able to utilize the super-sixth man's abilities more this year in a potential deep NCAA Tournament run than in a potential rebuilding season next year remains to be answered. The talent will definitely still be there this season; the Cats are loaded with young talent at the position. Penn's leadership, poise and grit, however, will not be.

The Villanovan Sports staff
would like to thank outgoing editors
Marc Angelaccio and Jon Nehlsen
for the job they've done the past year.

S P O R T S

Cross country set to run in NCAA Championship

By DAVID STOUT
Assistant Sports Editor

The NCAA Cross Country Championships will be held on Nov. 25 in Tucson, Arizona.

Villanova will be represented by both its men's and women's teams. The men are making their third straight appearance, while the women are in the field for the 12th time in the 15-year history of the meet.

The women enter the meet as the favorite. 'Nova is on a roll and has beaten most of the teams that have a realistic shot at winning the National Championship. Kristine Jost, Krestena Sullivan, Carrie Tollefson and Carmen Douma lead the Cats and could all finish in the top 20.

The Cats will be challenged by conference opponents Georgetown and Providence, as well as national powers Colorado, BYU, Dartmouth and Stanford. Of these teams, 'Nova has faced and defeated all but BYU and Stanford. At the Pre-NCAA Invitational, 'Nova defeated Colorado, but they have good depth and four potential All-Americans in Kelly Smith, Shayne Willye, Carrie Messener and Colleen Glyde. Georgetown is lead by Miesha Marzell and Janelle Thomas.

The Hoyas chances could improve if injured Kate Landau has a good race. BYU had a strong race at the regionals, finishing a close second to Colorado. Courtney Pugmire leads the BYU attack.

Dartmouth has a very strong top three in Maribel Sanchez, Kristin Manwaring and Jenna Rogers, and has nearly beaten Providence twice this season. Stanford had a strong year, but slipped up at districts. With Kortney Dunscombe running after sitting out the district meet, the Cardinal looks to get back on track.

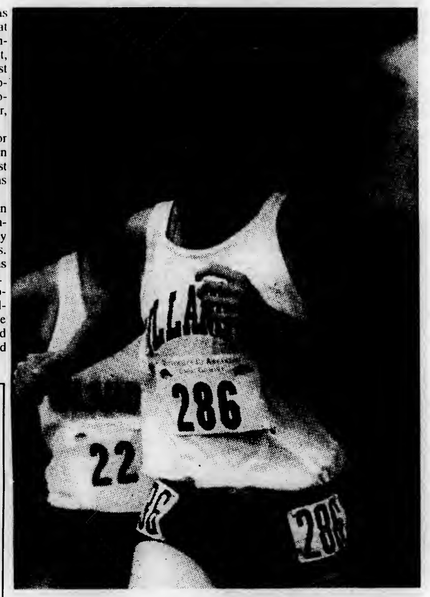
Finally, Providence hopes to successfully defend its National Championship. The Friars are lead by Marie McMahon, last year's individual champion.

The outlook for the men is not as promising, but it seems unlikely that any team will be able to beat Arkansas. In the SEC Championship meet, Arkansas had a perfect score against a field that included Alabama, a top-ten team. Stanford, lead by sophomore twins Brad and Brent Hauser, figures to finish second.

The other teams that will battle for the top spots are Colorado, Northern Arizona and N.C. State. Colorado lost its top two runners to injury, but has been strong all year.

Tim and Theo Martin, John Howell and Web Shelley lead a Northern Arizona team that has run very well at nationals the past two years. Finally, N.C. State joins Stanford as the only unbeaten teams in the field.

The Wolfpack is lead by sophomore twins Chan and Corby Pons. Villanova should finish somewhere in the No. 15-19 range, but no one expected it to win the IC4A, so the Cats could make some unexpected noise.



COURTESY OF MEDIA RELATIONS

Krestena Sullivan, the Cats' lone senior, finished third in the team's laugher of a victory.

The Villanovan's Athletes of the Week

Male
Gabriel Soto
Cross Country

Gabriel led the Cats to their first IC4A title since 1983 with his 14th place finish in a time of 29:52, tops on the team.

Female
Kristine Jost
Cross Country

Kristine won the ECAC individual championship in a time of 16:26. Three teammates followed her in the top ten as the Cats romped.

Men's X-country makes history

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Howard, sophomore Coulby Dunn and graduate student Steve Mazur finished 24th, 32nd and 54th, respectively. In their first regional championship, freshmen Scott Tantino and Cory Smith finished 62nd and 93rd. These two are getting better in each race and will soon be a major factor in the Wildcat scoring.

The Wildcats are very proud to accomplish this feat. Along with the women's victory in the ECAC's, this is the first time in school history that both have won these meets in the same season. The NCAA Championships will be run on Nov. 25 in Tuscon, Arizona. This will be the 16th time that Villanova has competed in the nationals since 1965. These Cats look to be confident enough to finish strong in the nationals, maybe even on top.

Postseason awaits Volleyball

By KELLY CURTIN
Staff Reporter

With a 20-7 overall regular season record, the women's volleyball team is looking forward to the Big East Tournament that is set to begin tomorrow. The Wildcats finished off the regular season with two big victories against Big East rivals, Pittsburgh and Syracuse.

On Nov. 16, the Wildcats hosted Pittsburgh at home and captured a 16-14, 15-9 and 15-7 victory. Junior Captain Stacey Evans led the team with 18 kills, five digs and two block assists.

Junior Marisa Davidson had a strong performance with 12 kills and 10 digs. Senior Captain Debbi Picco and sophomore Elizabeth Jones combined for 16 kills and 20 digs. Megan O'Brien contributed 11 kills and 13 digs. The Wildcats attack percentage was .333 compared to Pittsburgh's .130.

The next day, 'Nova came out victorious in its final regular season game with a 15-13, 15-8 and 15-6 win over

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Crew builds for the Spring

By ROBERT POLIZZO
Special to the Villanovan

The men's crew season has come to an end. On Sept. 7 the team held its first practice of the fall season, under Coach John Suter and Coach Bob Cericola, with 24 novice and 14 varsity members. Since that first practice, the team at both the novice and varsity levels has increased its ability.

The first few races of the season, the King's Head Regatta and Navy Day, showed the team that it was very well off, but that they still needed more practice to excel in a tough field. Over the next few weeks, the team went through vigorous training both on the water and off. The first test of the team's talent came at the Head of the Schuylkill, where both the novice and varsity competed well against the other teams. Strong finishes against other Dad Vail Schools showed how well Villanova crew could finish off the season.

The end of the Fall Season was marked by excellent performance from the novice and varsity. At the Frostbite Regatta on Saturday Nov. 9, 1996, the Varsity Lightweight Eight, comprised of Anthony DiStefano, Kip Wetzel, Phil Marcella, G.T. Pew, Brian Flynn, Rob Polizzo, Matt Arria, Mike Chimento and Brain McDonald, took first place against other top schools competing and took home the trophy. Bucknell, Boston College and Temple are just a few of the nine schools that were racing in this event. The Varsity Lightweight Four, consisting of Beth Alvezi, Ted O'Connor, Jeff Gruber, Dan Bradley and Shawn Deegan, also had a strong finish against its competitors, making the team feel strong and confident before going into another day of competition.

On Nov. 10 at the Bill Braxton Memorial Regatta, the team at all levels competed exceptionally well. The Varsity Pair, consisting of juniors Mike Jacobs and Ryan Carter were coming off a Dad Vail Silver Medal and took first place. The Novice Heavyweight Eight, consisting of Chrissy Acinapura, Jerry Bollenbach, Andy Lucchese, Mike Palmer, Dan Klein, Drew Milligan, Matt Tracy, Sean Quinn and Ed Rose, took fourth place against Loyola, Temple, Ithaca and Delaware. The team entered two open fours; one novice boat, consisting of Bill DeMayo, Eric Choban, Brian Duxbury, John-Michael Girald and Tom Vercillo. A lone varsity boat consisting of the rowers from the previous day was also entered. Both finished better than expected, with the varsity finishing in a strong second place and the novice gaining experience for the competitive Spring Season. The Varsity Lightweight Eight from Saturday's race entered again, beating Marietta College, Temple and Ithaca to take first place and win the Bill Braxton Trophy.

Overall the season was a great success. The coaching staff and the entire team feel that the end of the Fall season went extremely well, and that this positive end will lead to a great spring season. There is, however, still much hard work and preparation to be done before spring rowing begins. For now, the team will move indoors to start winter workouts, and hopefully will be back on the water by early March.

Soccer players named All-Big East

Sports Media Press Release

As the 1996 collegiate soccer season comes to a close, four Villanova standouts have been honored by the Big East Conference. Maura McGhee, Kara Stanislawczyk, Briar MacAdams and Connor Porter have been named to various All-Big East teams in recognition of their individual accomplishments throughout the season.

McGhee, a forward from Lincroft, N.J., has been named a member of the All-Big East First Team. The junior English major had a stellar season as one of the Wildcats' main offensive weapons, starting all 20 contests and totaling eight goals and three assists. Her 19 total points were the second highest on the team.

As the 1996 senior co-captain, Stanislawczyk also started in all 20 games on the season. The marketing major from Los Altos, California anchored a strong defensive unit that battled its way to a No. 4 seed in this year's Big East Tournament. For her efforts, she was named to the All-Big East First Team. Stanislawczyk closes out her career at Villanova with 74 starts out of the 78 games she has played in.

MacAdams and Porter have each been named to the All-Rookie Team after shining throughout their first season on the Main Line. MacAdams, a midfielder from Trevose, Pa., started 17 of the 18 games she played in and totaled two goals for four points on the season. Porter, a midfielder from Donegal, Ireland, started 13 of the 15 contests he played in, while tallying three goals and three assists for nine points,.

The female honorees were recognized at ceremonies held at the women's Big East Tournament at Notre Dame University on Nov. 8, while Porter was recognized at the men's tournament at Rutgers University this past weekend.

S P O R T S

Men win big in final tune-up

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats rebounded from a disappointing loss to Marathon Oil two weeks ago and came out and dismantled an undermanned and overmatched Puerto Rico National Team. The Wildcats held a 20-point lead throughout much of the contest en route to a 104-70 victory Monday night at duPont Pavilion.

Unlike the Marathon Oil game, 'Nova was in control in every aspect of the game. Much of the domination could be attributed to the fact that the Wildcats' big men had an easy time against a Puerto Rico team that did not have a player over 6-foot-9. Villanova dominated the glass, outrebounding Puerto Rico 49-28. Early on, many of these rebounds turned into fast break points as the Cats jumped out to an early 31-7 lead only 10 minutes into the game.

With Villanova dominating from the outset, every Wildcat was able to play substantial minutes. Center Jason Lawson collected 14 points on 6-of-8 shooting along with three rebounds. He did all of this in only 19 minutes of play. Chuck Kornegay (7 pts., 4 rebs.) shared playing time with Malik Allen (14 pts., 8 rebs.) in the power forward position.

Tim Thomas played well both inside the paint and beyond the arc, leading the team with 21 points and 10 rebounds, going 3-of- 3 from trey territory. As a team, Villanova shot exceptionally well from the field (55 percent), including 11-of-18 from behind the arc.

"That's a mirage," said Head Coach Steve Lappas. "Well, I hope it's not, but we did not shoot this well with [Kerry] Kittles and [Eric] Eberz. We think we have good shooters, but they are unproven."

Point guard Alvin Williams returned from an ankle injury and fueled the 'Nova offense, collecting 13 points, eight assists and four steals in limited playing time. More importantly, he did not commit a single turnover.

Howard Brown and John Celestand were also placed into the guard rotation. Brown was on fire from the field, hitting 6-of-7 (2-of-3 three point) for 14 points. Celestand looked comfortable at the point position, collecting seven assists.

With a 30-point lead much of the game, Lappas was able to get the bench some valuable playing time. Freshman Brian Lynch hit three three-pointers in 15 minutes while his classmate T.J. Caouette also played 17 minutes.

Even though the Cats dominated their opponent, this domination is deceiving. This Puerto Rico National Team was not the same one that Puerto Rico sent to Olympics. This team, however, was good enough to beat Seton Hall.

The Wildcats open up their season in a week at the San Juan Shootout. Their first contest is against the American University of Puerto Rico, a team that may not be as good as the Puerto Rico National Team. The Cats will also play Butler and Tulane in Puerto Rico. If the Wildcats play as well at the Shootout as they played Monday, they should dismantle these two teams as well.

FILE PHOTO

Alvin Williams was healthy enough to play in the Cats final exhibition game, and his leadership showed in the results as the Cats rolled, 104-70.

IceCats lose two close battles to ECAC rival Skidmore

By JAMIE NOONAN
Assistant Sports Editor

The Villanova University Ice Hockey team looked to carry the momentum from their two big victories over Scranton and Fairfield into its two-game series with Skidmore. Skidmore proved itself a tough opponent as they returned a majority of players from last year's championship team.

In the first game of the series the Cats started off well, scoring three minutes into the game on a power play goal. Abran Smith scored when his slap shot from the point deflected off a skate in front and beat the goalie low. The lead was short lived as Skidmore came back to tie things in the seventh minute with a goal of their own. The first period ended with the score knotted at one.

The second period proved costly as Skidmore outscored 'Nova 3-1 to take a 4-2 lead. Penalties hurt the team as two of the three goals were scored while the Cats were a man down. The lone goal for the IceCats came from freshman Steve Cusato whose snap shot from the slot made it past the goalie. This would not be enough as neither team managed to score in the third period and Villanova lost a tough one, 4-2.

Heading into the second game of the series the Cats hoped to rebound from the disappointing loss. Once again things started off similarly for the Wildcats as they took a first period lead, 2-1.

The first goal was scored by Smith, his second of the series. Captain Jon Jett added the second goal when his huge slap shot from the left side of the goal snuck between the goalie's pads.

Skidmore scored the lone goal of the second period while on the power play making it a 2-2 game heading into the third period. In the third Jonathan Hughes scored what may have been the prettiest goal all season for the IceCats. After getting the puck into the corner he managed to fake out two defenders on his way to the net. He then fired a nice backhand shot that beat the goalie up high.

The one goal was too late as Skidmore had already managed to score twice. Once again the Cats lost another close game at the hands of Skidmore, this time 4-3.

"We were in a position to win both games, but unforunately they put one more home each game," commented Head Coach Nick Russo. "I'm proud of our guys, we've come along way."

Last year the team lost to the ECAC South champions both times by a combined score of 11-1. Building on the positives from this series, the IceCats are looking forward to taking on Sacred Heart and Iona on the road this coming week.

PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

The IceCats had a tough weekend, losing two close games at the hands of Skidmore. They now take to the road to play Sacred Heart and Iona.

Basketball Ticket Lottery

Today at 5:30
for the Dec. 4 game vs. Providence
in the Jake Nevin Field House

Women swim against tough foes

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
Staff Reporter

The Villanova women's swimming and diving team is coming off a tough week after placing seventh out of eight teams competing in the University of Georgia Invitational.

The Lady Cats struggled while trying to beat out seven tough opponents at the Gabrielsen Natatorium in Athens, Ga. from Nov. 15-17. After three long days of swimming, the team concluded with 212.5 points for a seventh place finish.

Despite struggling as a team, many of the women recorded their best unrested times. Some of these times came from the younger, inexperienced Wildcats. The Cats' best finish came from Kerri Thorne. The freshman placed sixth in the 1650 Free with a personal best time of 17:18.51.

Also swimming well was sophomore Catherine Sosnowski with a seventh place finish in the 200 Breast in 2:22.31. In the 200 Back, freshman Julie Lapinski and sophomore Jackie Gruters finished eighth and 19th, respectively. Also, sophomore Elizabeth Lauwaet recorded a personal best (53.15) in the short 100 Free.

In the relays, Villanova placed only one squad. The 400 Free Relay, led by Lapinski and anchored by sophomore Kristin Stretanski, finished sixth in 3:37.46.

"Although the team was not as consistent, 60 percent of the swimmers recorded lifetime best swims," stated Head Coach Ed Bartsch, "The team looked very solid for this time of the year."

Even though the Wildcats finished seventh, this finish should not be looked at as a disappointment. Taking into account that the team faced some stiff competition in the South, where swimming receives greater attention as compared to the Northeast, where strong swimming programs are scarce, the team's effort was superb. Swimming against this type of competition can only help a team trying to win another Big East Championship.

The women's swimming and diving team is hoping to improve their record in action tomorrow at Princeton University.

S P O R T S

Cats crush JMU, hope for playoffs

By MARC ANGELACCIO
Sports Editor

The Wildcats did what they had to do last Saturday, and it was the veterans who did it.

Villanova traveled to Harrisonburg, Va. and dismantled James Madison, 40-23, before 9,500 fans at Bridgeforth Stadium. The decisive win, earned by a handful of experienced players, improves the Cats' chances for a Division I-AA playoff berth, which would be their first since 1992.

"I told the kids all week that if we win today, we're a playoff team," said Head Coach Andy Talley.

"We came in and beat James Madison on its own turf, at fever pitch, and in a playoff atmosphere. I think we're in. We're planning on being in the playoffs."

The 17-point win was fueled by a few Wildcat veterans, who made sure the team would not lose.

Fullback Anthony Cowsette had his best game of the season, scoring three first-half touchdowns, giving him 10 on the season and 28 in his career, good enough for second all-time at Villanova. These early scores also helped set the winning tone for the rest of the game.

"There was a lot of emotion, and we wanted to go out on a positive note," said Cowsette. "The last few years were kind of tough, and we wanted to turn that around this year."

Alongside Cowsette was junior tailback Curtis Sifford, who keyed the Wildcats' ground game by garnering 146 yards on 27 carries. The career performance surprised the JMU defense, which was expecting the usual pass-tailored offense that the Wildcats have employed all season.

Directing the offense was junior quarterback Clint Park, who also had one of his best outings of the season, completing 19 of 27 for 249 yards. He also threw his 23rd and 24th touchdowns of the season, setting a new school record. The record setting touchdown came on a pass to junior wideout Josh Dolbin with no time left in the game. Park also ran for two touchdowns in the third quarter which helped cap the victory.

Despite the appearance of an easy day for the Wildcats' offense, it was not without adversity, as 'Nova wideout Brian Finneran, the leading pass-catcher in the Yankee Conference, left the game on the Cats' second possession with a hyperextended knee. Dolbin, however, with eight catches and 123 yards, picked up the slack left by Finneran's departure.

While it may have been the offense that put points on the board, it was the defense that made the biggest plays. As James Madison tried to rally late in the game, linebacker Curtis Dunaway and defensive back Kyle Helton, both seniors, intercepted passes to shut out the Dukes in the fourth quarter.

Despite the lopsided score, the game was a tight battle for the first half, as Villanova had to overcome an onside kick to start the game, two fumbles and a late first half touchdown that cut an 11-point lead to four.

The Dukes opened the scoring with a field goal after recovering the onside kick. But the Wildcats quickly struck back with a score, as Chris Boden, replacing Park for one play, hit Cowsette in the end zone from six yards out, capping an 11-play, 83-yard drive.

On the Cats' next possession, Cowsette scored his second TD, a 4-yard run, to secure a 14-3 lead. But JMU climbed back in the contest on the next possession with a touchdown.

Scoring Summary
First Quarter
JM Coursey 35 field goal
VU Cowsette 6 pass from Boden (Keifer kick)
VU Cowsette 4 run (Kiefer kick)
Second Quarter
JM Jeter 14 run (Coursey kick)
VU Cowsette 4 pass from Park (Keifer kick)
JM Brooks 34 pass from Gonzalez (Coursey kick)
Third Quarter
VU Park 1 run (Kiefer kick)
VU Park 7 run (kick failed)
JM Brooks 25 pass from Gonzalez (kick failed)
Fourth Quarter
VU Dolbin 4 pass from Park

After Cowsette scored his third touchdown three minutes later, Villanova's lead was back up to 11 points. But once again, the Dukes regained the momentum, as they scored again with 10 seconds left in the half to cut the lead to 21-17.

"Any time somebody scores on you like that just before the half, you have to stay positive," said Dunaway. "The guy was covered and he made a good play. We didn't get down because we knew all we had to do was hold them in the second half."

The Wildcats came back out on the field and scored two touchdowns in the third quarter, both runs by Park, to take a 34-17 lead. But, once again, JMU cut the lead to 34-23 with three minutes left in the third quarter.

In the fourth, Villanova's defense decided to step up and seal the victory. As the Dukes were charging into 'Nova territory on their second possession of the quarter, Dunaway intercepted JMU quarterback Willie Gonzalez, stunting any momentum the Dukes might have had.

"My man stayed in and blocked, and my job was to zone off," said Dunaway.

Dunway's interception was important, but Helton's interception was crucial. On Villanova's ensuing possession after Dunaway's pick, Dolbin fumbled the ball at James Madison's 24-yard line. The Dukes then drove to midfield when Helton came up with his interception at the 5:42 mark, once again gaining the momentum for the Wildcats, as they went on to score another touchdown to close out the game.

With the win, Villanova (8-3, 6-2 Yankee) finished tied for second in the Yankee Conference with New Hampshire and Delaware, but behind William and Mary (7-1 Yankee), which will get an automatic bid to the playoffs. Since New Hampshire beat Villanova two weeks ago, it will receive an at large bid before the Cats receive one. If the selection committee takes three teams from the Yankee Conference, which is probable, Villanova will be taken before Delaware, since the Wildcats beat Delaware this season. 'Nova, however, will have to wait until Sunday before they find out whether they have earned a playoff berth.

FILE PHOTO
Chris Machovina and the Wildcats defense were much stronger against James Madison than they were in the loss to New Hampshire, and the Cats won. They will now hold their collective breath with hopes for a playoff berth.

Men's team takes IC4A by surprise

By CHRIS MAIRS
Staff Reporter

It was a beautiful, sunny Saturday afternoon at Franklin Park in Boston. Hundreds of men gathered for the 88th running of the IC4A Championships. Teams from all over the northeast region competed in this one important meet. Villanova was coming in struggling after a tough Big East race. The same course was used for this meet, and the Wildcats had to redeem themselves. The field included Big East rivals Georgetown, St. John's and Providence among other foes including Army, Navy and Penn State. Thirty-seven teams competed in all.

Villanova, who came into the race with a great deal of confidence, finished on top with a total of 139 points. This was the first time the Cats have won this race since 1983. This was the most important race of the season for them because they had to prove to the country that they were good enough to return to nationals. The other two teams to qualify were St. John's and Army, who finished with 159 and 174 points, respectively.

The Cats did not have a top-ten finisher, but had many more successful runs than did the rest of the field. That proved to be the difference. Leading the pack of hard working Wildcats was junior Gabriel Soto, who finished 14th overall in a time of 29:52. Sophomore Oisin Crowley finished 16th in a time of 29:55. These were the two runners who sparked the Wildcats' scoring. To finish out the scoring, senior Steve

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Women destroy ECAC field

By DAVID STOUT
Assistant Sports Editor

After a third-place finish at the Big East Championships two weeks ago, the women's cross country team is back on top after winning the ECAC Championships this past weekend. With the win, 'Nova advances to its eighth straight NCAA Championship. The Cats finished with 37 points, ahead of Big East rivals Georgetown and Providence, who had 77 and 108 points respectively.

This meet proved to be one of the toughest so far this season for 'Nova. Not only were the Cats coming off a loss, but they were going against the teams that had beaten them. Despite facing these obstacles, the victory does not come as a surprise to Head Coach John Marshall.

"I'm not surprised that we won the meet," said Marshall. "As a coaching staff we're confident, we know what our runners can do. I thought that we could put four girls in the top ten and when you do that you can win most races."

Marshall also believes that the Cats set the stage at the Big East Championships for what happened this past weekend. By going out and running right at Providence, 'Nova sent the message that Providence could not simply come out and win the race. By proving that it is a solid team, the Wildcats got Providence thinking putting them in a position to make mistakes and set them up for defeat.

Leading the way was sophomore Kristine Jost who won the meet with a time of 16:26. Also in the top ten were senior Krestena Sullivan, who finished third with a time of 16:38, freshman Carmen Douma finished fourth in 16:42 and sophomore Carrie Tollefson crossed the line in 16:44 to finish in sixth place. Sophomore Jurga Marcinkevicuite rounded out the scoring for Villanova with a 23rd place finish in a time of 17:16.

"The hero of the day was probably Krestena Sullivan," said Marshall. "She set the tone for the whole race. She made Providence's Marie McMahon, who is recognized as one of the top two runners in the country, make mistakes early. That allowed Kristine Jost to win the meet."

Freshman Tamieka Grizzle and sophomore Sarah Brandy also ran well for Villanova. Grizzle, in only her second collegiate meet, finished in 49th place with a time of 17:46, while Brandy grabbed the 53rd spot in 17:50. The consistency from the first to the seventh runner is the key to this team's success. Every runner improved her time, one by as much as 30 seconds, from the Big East meet. According to Marshall this improvement is the result of hard work and hard training.

"This is probably the strongest seven Villanova has ever had," noted Marshall. "I don't ever remember having four runners under 17 minutes followed with a seventh runner under 18 minutes. We're not going to beat you with one or two runners, but collectively we could win a championship. That is the philosophy of the coaching staff."

Although Marshall points out that there is no one dominant runner on the team, Jost has made a habit of finishing at or near the top in every race. Jost sat out the Big East Championships with a stomach virus, but returned to defeat defending NCAA champion Marie McMahon. Her return was not only a boost to the team on the course, but it was also a confidence builder.

"Having Kristine back helped the confidence of the team," said Marshall. "We've been running as a team all year, so not having one of your runners makes us incomplete. Kristine made it complete and everyone stepped up."

The Cats are now in very good position heading into the NCAA Championships on Nov. 25 in Tucson, Arizona. 'Nova ran at this course last month when it won the Pre-NCAA Invitational defeating Colorado, the No. 2 ranked team, among other national programs.

The team has looked forward to the final three meets all season, and now they are down to the final meet with one goal in mind, winning the national championship.

Despite its success at the regionals, the team does not feel that it is in a position to be confident. Instead, the team believes that it has something to prove.

"I think we're in a proving mode," said Marshall. "Providence is still the team to beat. We're going to keep the same attitude, run as a family, win as a family and whatever happens, happens."

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Petition raised to ban Cliffs Notes

By REBECCA ROCCO
Staff Reporter

In the Fall 1995 semester discussions concerning the removal of Cliffs Notes from the University Shop were being held by some of the faculty members at the University.

Several Core Humanities professors had been receiving plagiarized papers from first-year students. Debra Romanick of Core Humanities is the person who actually got a petition off the ground. The petition started to circulate last semester. Romanick stated, "Let us be clear that the issue here is not about banning Cliffs Notes; it's about whether or not the University should promote their use."

Romanick's main argument is that the bookstore does not sell secondary works other than required texts. She said, "You can't buy any books other than Cliffs Notes and so-called study aids." This along with the prevalent problem of plagiarism is why Romanick pursued the issue. She added that Cliffs Notes interpret selective points from a certain book and "tell you what to think about it." Sometimes Cliffs Notes are not always accurate, said Romanick. She also feels that students should be doing this job on their own at a university.

On Nov. 20, a panel discussion was held concerning the issue. Romanick, Dr. Harry Strack of political science, senior Faahud Yafai and sophomore Isis Misdary were all members of the discussion.

Misdary said, "Cliffs Notes are not scholarly journals." Her major argument is that Cliffs Notes "strip away how the author or philosopher creates the idea or image," and if students are using them because of confusion they should, "take care of that in class." Yafai and Strack argued against the removal of Cliffs Notes from the University Shop. Yafai stated that Cliffs Notes give him "another outlook" and "help to organize thoughts." He argued that sometimes students need a secondary source, but Cliffs Notes should "in no way be substituted for the primary text."

He also argued that the way in which Cliffs Notes are used relies on the "academic integrity" of the student. Strack has "no problem with Cliffs Notes being sold on this campus as long as there is no plagiarism or avoidance of class assignments." He added that students who read Cliffs Notes or any other kinds of reviews or commentaries first, may find it hard not to plagiarize. Therefore according to Strack, students should use Cliff's Notes in preparation for an exam after reading the novel itself.

So far 90 faculty members including those from the history, English, sociology, theology and biology departments have signed Romanick's petition. The petition has gone to different levels and is now in the hands of the Council of Deans. Frank Henninger, director of the University Shop, stated that Cliffs Notes are considered study aids and the store will "continue to sell them unless otherwise told to do so by the administration."

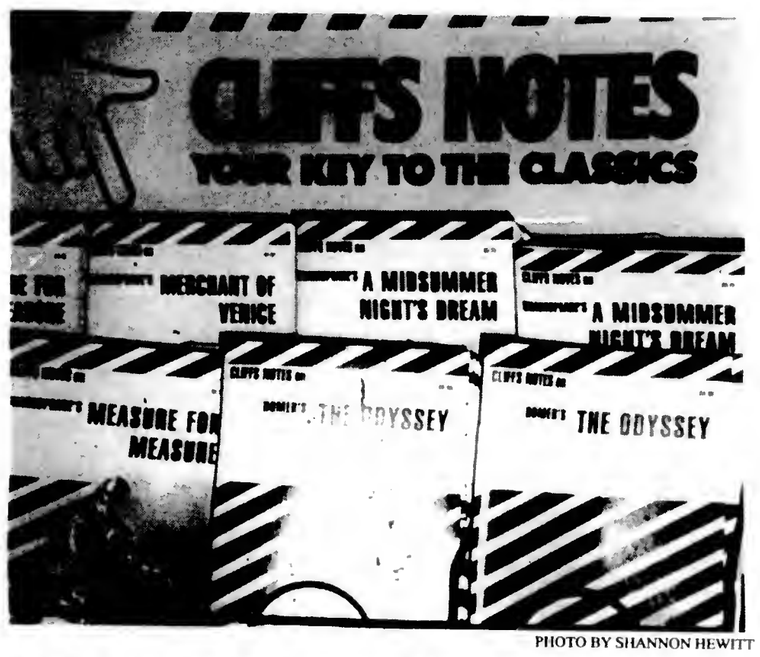

PHOTO BY SHANNON HEWITT

Faculty circulates petition to ban these Cliffs Notes from the University Shop.

Hearing held on student organization allotments

By ELIZABETH PURCELL
Staff Reporter

Before winter break, a hearing committee headed by Randy Farmer, director of Student Development, and Sheldon Pollock, vice president of the student body, will convene in the Connelly Center to make a joint decision about which student organization will receive a special monetary allocation.

One representative from Campus Activities Team, one representative from either the Interfraternity Council or the Panhellenic Council and four elected Student Government Association (SGA) representatives will also be present at the hearing.

Last year SGA was successful in raising $100,000 for the Student Life Department, a portion of which was given to Student Development for special programming. According to Farmer, the special allocation competition is an opportunity for student organizations who want to host a major event on campus to seek funds and other resources for their event. This is the first year that this type of assistance has been offered.

To apply for the special allocation, competing groups must compile a proposal for their idea detailing all aspects of the event. Presently, the Multicultural Student League (MSL), an umbrella group for minority clubs, has submitted the only proposal. Dhira Khosla, co-chair of MSL, explained her group's reasoning for wanting the group A Tribe Called Quest on campus. She said, "We already invited numerous speakers to Villanova each year, so we were inclined toward hosting a musical group."According to Pollock, SGA expected a bigger turnout for the competition, but he is not disappointed. He said, "My hope is that as word gets out about the new program, more groups will turn in proposals."

Farmer said, "I feel that this program is something that the Villanova community will benefit from, but there are many variables that the board has to consider in making our decision." Junior Lyana Palmer, who worked with Khosla on the MSL proposal, said that the concert would be something different not only for minorities on campus but for all University students. She said, "We've put together a strong argument for our cause including expected expenses, revenues and a time line for the project." Khosla added, "A lot of interest has been expressed in this particular band coming to the University. We've gotten petitions from residents as well as the Tri-Delta sisters. We've really researched this thing."

Pollock said, "The special allocation committee is exciting because usually the administration has the say in which events are held on campus. For the first time, University students are deciding which programs would benefit the Villanova Community."

Visitation may be changed next fall

By JENNIFER RUDOLPH
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association (SGA) is currently finalizing its visitation policy proposal which will be presented to the University for review next week, according to junior Michelle Nicoletta and sophomore Julie Walheim, SGA co-chairs of the visitation policy review board.

The proposal will include a 1993 University survey which questioned on-campus residents about issues involving residence life. In addition, the proposal will incorporate student suggestions and opinions gathered during visitation forums conducted by Nicoletta and Walheim within the residence halls.

The proposal will also contain the existing visitation policies of other universities such as Georgetown University, Providence College and St. Joseph's University. Walheim said, "The coeducational dorm policies that we have obtained from these universities reflect a positive experience with co-educational living."

Dr. Richard A. Neville, vice president of Student Life, said, "The University's visitation policy has been an evolution." Currently, St. Rita's, Austin and St. Mary's halls have a 24-hour visitation policy because they are single, upper classman residence halls, and thus students do not have to share living space with a roommate.

Neville added, "The West Campus apartments also operate under 24-hour visitation because the residents within the apartments have a living room to entertain their guests." According to Neville, 24-hour visitation could become problematic in residence halls that accommodate two roommates where issues of privacy and respect could be violated. Neville said, "The University is open to enhance the quality of life in those residence halls and to create student responsibility for the hall, but I'm waiting to hear from the SGA."

According to Neville, the Villanova Experience is an example of how the University has taken initiative to strengthen residential life. The Villanova Experience is a coeducational community within St. Monica's Hall that operates under 24-hour visitation but only among St. Monica's residents. The program requires that its male and female residents take its freshman seminar with one another, as well as participate in a weekly evening class within the residence hall that encourages self development. Neville added, "The Villanova Experience is an important step which contributes to educational endeavors; it's bigger than visitation." The University will evaluate the Villanova Experience at the end of the spring semester.

Members of SGA and the administration will be meeting with the University's Board of Trustees next week where the proposal will be discussed. "I feel like the administration has been willing to listen to the student body and has been very receptive so far," said Nicoletta. "We are confident." According to Walheim, issues due to changes in the visitation policy must be confronted.

For, example, the structure of current bathroom facilities in the residence halls would have to be altered. Walheim said, "Realistically, if changes in the visitation policy are made, the student body will not see them next semester, the earliest changes will probably happen next fall."

Campus organizations aid the needy during the holiday season

By COLLEEN CASEY
Staff Reporter

This Christmas season many organizations on campus are spreading the holiday spirit by giving to those less fortunate through programs such as the Advent Giving Tree and the Black Feet Indian Reservation Drive.

Since 1986 the University has cosponsored the Advent Giving Tree with St. Thomas of Villanova Parish. The tree is set up in the church during the period of Advent. Members of the congregation are asked to buy paper angel ornaments which represent individual gifts of clothing to members of four inner-city Philadelphia parishes which are not as economically well-off as the University community. Barbara Haenn of Campus Ministry said, "This is very near and dear to our hearts because we've been able to reach out to thousands of people."

For the past five years, the Center for Peace and Justice has been involved in the Black Feet Indian Drive. This drive is set up to help the poor children and buy them Christmas presents. The organization distributes anywhere from 10 to 25 cartons of gifts to the reservation.

The Villanova Feminist Coalition (VFC) is volunteering time before break to help out at the St. Francis Inn, a soup kitchen and free health clinic. The health clinic is run by a graduate of the University's nursing program, Marybeth LaPell. The VFC is also running a clothing drive for the months of January and February to ensure that the needy will be clothed all year round, not just during the holiday season.

The Inner Hall Council is involved in adopting children from the St. Barnabas Shelter in Philadelphia. The residents of Sheehan and Sullivan Halls will have the opportunity to adopt a child from the shelter and buy a Christmas present for him or her. The residents of Sheehan Hall are also taking part in the Adopt-a-Family program.

The members of the Hall Council are going to sell red bows for approximately $2 to the residents. The money collected will go toward buying a needy family Christmas presents. Ryan McDonough, head resident of Sheehan Hall, said, "It's been an annual tradition to do something for the less fortunate people in the area. Hall Council and Sheehan residents are excited to help out."

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EDITORIALS

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FEATURES

Pete and Sheldon claim that they actually accomplished something this semester. The upcoming holidays offer more than just soft toilet paper. Think you're getting an apartment? Start praying now. Finally, in case you missed the first seven articles about Rohypnol, you can catch yet another this week.

ENTERTAINMENT

Once again Arnold Schwarzenegger proves he is no better than a stunt man with an accent in his latest movie , while Glenn Close as Cruella De Vil is enough to makes kiddies have nightmares. British rock group Bush changes their sound. Eating on the Main Line goes to Porta Rosa, and *Kaia* provides lesbian rock for the whole family.

SPORTS

There's lots of hoops this week for basketball-starved readers. You couldn't have seen the Cats play in Puerto Rico unless you were there yourself, because no one would put in on TV for us. So why not read Marc Angelaccio's article? You can also read about the Providence game, the start of the women's season, the Big 5 and UNC-Wilmington. UNC-Who?

SGA addresses women's issues

By KEN RACOWSKI
Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association's (SGA) Women's Issues Task Force (WITF) is a new committee dedicated to promoting the awareness of women's issues on campus. The WITF is led by co-chairs Shelagh O'Hagan and Cindy Ries and Assistant Chair Carolyn Hehir.

The WITF is a separate yet complementary organization to the Villanova Feminist Coalition (VFC). "VFC does a lot of great work that they don't receive credit for. We want to use SGA to make the entire campus aware of the issues that they have been working to promote," said O'Hagan.

According to O'Hagan, this is the first year that SGA has ever dedicated an entire committee to women's issues. As a result, the first few weeks were stressful for its coordinators as they attempted to define the purpose of the committee and set goals for the upcoming year. The committee decided that they wanted to select three topics for separate forums in which those in attendance would engage in open discussion regarding that specific evening's issue. This would in turn lead to a heightened awareness of these issues among the University student body. The WITF committee decided to hold one forum this semester followed by the remaining two forums in the spring of 1997. The first program was held Dec. 4 in the Cinema, and the topic of the discussion was "Sexual Harassment." The purpose of this forum was to discuss what the student body can do about the occurrences of sexual harassment on campus. The topics of discussion for the two spring forums will be "Eating Disorders" and "Women in the Workforce."

In addition to these three discussion groups, the WITF is working on initiating an inaugural Women's Week to be held on campus during the first week of April. Several other colleges across the country conduct similar programs in April, which is "Women's Month." The WITF is currently in the process of examining what other schools such as Boston College, Bryn Mawr College, and Princeton University do for their own Women's Week and how they can implement some of these events at this University.

Tentative plans are to create a full week of activities that will culminate in the "Take Back the Night" march on a Saturday in April in conjunction with the VFC. "We want to work with VFC to produce an event that will be very inclusive and speak to students from segments of the University's population," said Hagan.

Students tutor elementary kids

By CAROLYN FLOOD
Staff Reporter

The publication of the Villanova University/Samuel Gompers Elementary writing project will take place today as part of the University's Teach for America program.

This event is the culmination of a month long writing project between six Gompers' students and 12 University student tutors.

The theme of the writing assignment is "Symbolizing Self and Community: Designing and Describing a Personal Crest." The six part program helps the Gomper students organize, write, revise, edit and publish their works. The program has been in effect every Friday since Nov.1.

According to Anna Solosky, president of Teach for America, this project involves the students in designing a heraldic crest which tells the story of each student's life. The crest is modeled after an African or European shield and divided into four quadrants: past, family, community, and future. Each quadrant contains a symbol representing each of these aspects of the student's life. The symbols were chosen from the icons and graphics available on the Amazing Writing Machine software or custom-designed by the students using the software's draw/paint function. The idea is to have the students become familiar with using computers.

The project was organized as part of the University's campus chapter of Teach for America's outreach to the community. Solosky said that is a hands-on experience that allows University students to make a significant contribution to the educational experience of the participating students. One of the six students said, "It's great! And the computers are really wonderful." She added her appreciation for the time of the University students.

Dr. Karyn Hollis, director of the Writing Center said, "This is the first time we've had a community service program in the Writing Center. These children have given us such joy and enthusiasm that we hope to expand the program next semester." Solosky said, "To see students get excited about something you're able to teach them is a great feeling. Both the students and our volunteers learn so much through experiences with Teach for America."

This is but one of many projects organized by the University's Teach for America chapter. While this chapter works primarily with schools in the Philadelphia area, it also strives to heighten the awareness of the University community about social and political issues related to education, according to Solosky.

Other programs include Rhodes Day, a day when students from Rhodes Elementary School in Philadelphia come to the University to spend the day with University students. About 100 fifth graders become friends with college students and watch mini-productions by University students in various academic subjects . Solosky said, "The goal of the day is to increase their excitement for school and learning and to show them what college is like."

Another program is with St. Mary's Child Care in Ardmore. Every week a group of University students goes to the day care center to read stories and to do arts and crafts projects with children 3 to 5years old. "The purpose is to instill interest in reading at an early age," said Solosky.

The University's chapter is affiliated with the nationwide program that was established in 1989. This program recruits recent college graduates for two-year teaching commitments in inner-city public schools. Its initial purpose was to attract young liberal arts majors to the teaching profession and to help elevate and support teaching in the urban schools.

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Children and University students work together on a computer project.

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Deferring rush may reduce alcohol abuse

ByDOMINICK MASTROPOALO
Staff Reporter

The Student Life Committee, subcommittee of the University Senate, continued its examination into the possibility of deferring Rush until sophomore year this past Monday with the second of its three closed forums.

At each forum, the committee will talk with representatives of fraternities and sororities on campus in order to hear their views on the situation. The Greeks had a poor showing, according to those who witnessed the forum, even though each chapter was given a notice concerning the importance of its attendance.

According to the University Alcohol Task Force's study of alcohol and drug abuse on this campus, this University is significantly more problematic in areas concerning alcohol and drugs in comparison with the national average. The Task Force Report listed many possible attempts to improve the campus, and one in particular was examining the effects of deferring Greek Rush until sophomore year.

The study, comparing the University to 47,000 colleges across the nation, had 94 percent of the University students surveyed say that they drank alcohol in the past year. The national average in this category is 85 percent. The director of the Drug and Alcohol Center, Janice Janosik, said that the University does have an alcohol and drug problem and stressed that the whole community needs to come together to solve the problem.

Many see deferring Rush as a possible way to lower this alcohol abuse rate on campus, but Student Government President Peter Acton said that the Senate will have to look to see if and how the Greeks make it easier for the students to drink. He said, "Everybody in the community contributes to the drinking problem and it's unfair to single the Greeks out."

By deferring Rush, Acton believes that the administration would be sending the message that, "alcohol is, in large part, a Greek problem."

Alcohol abuse is not the only issue influencing the decision of deferring Rush. Dr. Richard A. Neville, vice president for Student Life said another reason for examining deferred Rush is to see how it would make the University culture more academically oriented.

Results from the 23-institution survey by the National Student Learning, found in an article entitled *Students' Out of Class Experiences and Their Influence on Learning and Cognitive* Development: A Literature Review, indicated that "fraternity membership [versus being independent] during the first year of college was significantly and negatively related to reading, mathematics and critical thinking skills, as well as to a measure of composite achievement." Similar effects occur in women's cases but to a lesser extent.

The Director of Greek Affairs, Gary Bonas, points out the behavior of the first semester sophomore is significantly better than the second semester freshman. Delaying fraternity involvement could enhance a student's performance at the University.

In another report entitled "Cognitive Effects of Greek Affiliation During the First Years of College," the researchers agreed that the first-year student faces many adjustment tasks and lay their educational foundation during this period. According to this study involvement in fraternities and, to a lesser extent, sororities, during this period may "seriously detract from time required to be successfully integrated into academic life."

Acton said that one can make the same argument for athletes and ROTC members. In fact these same studies concluded that intervention is also needed for intercollegiate football, basketball and other athletic activities. Acton asked, "Should athletes not be allowed to compete until their Sopho more year?"

One of the final issues concerning deferred Rush is the community aspect. Bonas said that initial fraternity involvement takes up so much time that "all of the work that the R.A.'s do in the fall is destroyed in January. The students split up and affiliate with fraternities and sororities." He added that it is very difficult to reestablish this dorm community after Rush, and it is in this community that the freshmen experience more diversity.

Holland said that in the overall outlook, Greeks have a strong influence in creating the community that the University cites as its organizational mission statement. The Rev. John P. Stack, O.S.A. agrees with Holland that the Greeks do foster a sense of community, but that the University community will be improved overall if the Rush is postponed another semester.

Bonas' arguments stem from his view that the University encourages students to make friends different from themselves and to experience diversity. He said that a typical friendship takes a year and Rush students are "pulled out of their residential community in which they are experiencing this diversity of friendships."

Acton said once again that the same argument can be made for athletes as well as ROTC. In both cases, according to Acton, the student is pulled out of their residential community environment and concentrated into a more homogenous one. Although fraternities and sororities may initially pull them away, in the end Greek involvement fosters involvement on campus.

Acton is supported by Joyce who sees a preconceived notion that once one is in a certain fraternity or sorority, he or she is not friends with people outside of it.

According to the article, Four Critical Years, fraternity and sorority membership has a substantial positive effect on persistence, overall satisfaction with college and satisfaction with instruction and social life. The report also explained that Greek involvement provides members with a chance for meaningful achievement and leadership in various roles, especially for students in the early years of college.

Dartmouth University and Muhlenberg College experienced some negative results after they both deferred Rush a few years ago. Both institutions were forced to establish programs to avoid freshmen isolation from the upperclassmen. It is the ability of Greek involvement to intermingle the freshmen with the upperclassmen which Holland said is a great asset to the University.

In the end both sides understand that the examination of deferred Rush is an attempt to minimize the problems that we are having, especially with alcohol and drug abuse, and maximize the opportunities. A decision on the matter is not expected to be reached until March of 1997. If Rush is deferred it will be the second time that it is done in less than 10 years, the first time being in 1988 when sorority Rush was deferred from first semester freshman year to second semester."

Father Stack speaks out against Rohypnol

By EILEEN SULLIVAN
News Editor

The small, white, odorless, tasteless pill, Rohypnol, is illegal in the United States, and in addition to expulsion, the University has decided to report cases to the police if found on campus, said the Rev. John Stack, O.S.A., dean of students.

According to Newsweek Feb. 26, 1996, the drug known on the street as "roofies," "rope," "the forget pill," and "roach" is actually a sedative related to the drug Valium, but ten times stronger. Rohypnol is marketed by Hoffmann-LaRoche Inc. of Switzerland.

Rohypnol is available legally in 60 countries where it is prescribed for severe insomnia, anxiety, convulsions, and muscle tension. People traveling to the U.S. are allowed to bring in a three-month supply for personal use only, however much of the drug is smuggled in from Mexico and Columbia.

The drug costs between $1 and $5 a pill, and it appears to be popular among teenagers who combine it with alcohol and marijuana to increase the effect. Rohypnol makes users fearless and aggressive, much like alcohol. However this drug is more severe because it causes blackouts with total memory losses. It is for this reason that the drug is referred to as the "date rape drug."

Nothing is so foreign nor antithetical to our academic and communal life than drug use, especially drugs employed as weapons against fellow students.

Rev. John Stack O.S.A., Dean of Students

Cases associated with date rape and Rohypnol involve slipping the tablet into a woman's drink without her knowing. These cases are hard to prosecute because of the complete loss of memory sometimes accompanying the effect. Rape victims can be tested for the drug, but the drug can only be traced up to 60 hours after ingestion.

According to the *New York Times* Oct. 13, 1996, President Clinton signed a bill outlawing Rohypnol. The law provides a 20 -year sentence for the use of an illegal drug as a tool for rape or other violent crime, and for the possession, manufacture or distribution of an illegal drug with the intent to use it in a violent crime.

According to Stack, the University has not yet caught any student with this drug, although there have been cases on campus in which the drug could have been involved. Stack said that marijuana is really the only illegal substance that students receive a second chance with at the University. He said that the University does not support cocaine use, for example, but they do not report it to the police if found on campus. However students *will be expelled with the hope that* they will get help.

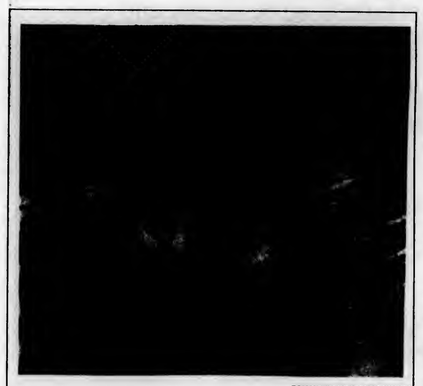
Stack said that Rohypnol is "even more insidious because people are using this on someone else without them knowing it." He continued, "In the past, illegal drug use has been connected with people using it themselves. " Stack supports the law of the drug and would feel obliged to turn someone into the police, as well as take action toward immediate expulsion.

Stack said, "I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the ideals and standards we hold ourselves to as members of the Villanova community. Nothing is so foreign nor antithetical to our academic and communal life than drug use, especially drugs employed as weapons against fellow students." He added, "Given the nature of Rohypnol and its intended use, even possession of this drug will result in immediate expulsion from the University."

There is also a serious concern for *the potential for addiction and lethal* overdosing. In order to stop the abuse, Hoffmann-LaRoche has considered discontinuing the manufacture of the two milligram pill and only market a dose half as strong. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Association (DEA) is considering heightening the penalty of Rohypnol use and possession to that of Heroin.

The highest level of abuse is in Texas and Florida where 100,000 tablets have been confiscated in the past two to three years. According to the DEA, 2,000 seizures of the drug have been made in 32 of the states as well as Puerto Rico. The DEA has caught the drug in 13 states, 500 incidents in Texas alone.

Also according to the Feb. 26 issue of *Newsweek*, the mixture of Rohypnol and champagne is what sent rocker Kurt Cobain into a coma in Rome, a month before his suicide.



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Greeks support off - campus charities

By JANNA DOUVILLE
Staff Reporter

Throughout the academic year, various philanthropic events take place that are sponsored by the University's Greek sororities and fraternities. The purpose of these activities is to improve and help those less fortunate.

The profits from these events are donated to various local and national organizations. These organizations include groups such as Aid to the Blind, Sight Conservation, Special Olympics, the Cardiac Care Foundation, the Lupus Foundation of Philadelphia, Cerebral Palsy, the Literacy Project and aid to homeless organizations.

Ana Panganiban, IFC-Panhellenic chair, said that as a requirement, each sorority and fraternity must participate in at least one external philanthropy each semester. Several chapters volunteer to work in such off-campus philanthropies as Adopt-A-Highway, Habitat trips and soup kitchens.

In addition, several of the University's Greek chapters choose to hold one on-campus money-raising philanthropic event. Some of the University's activities include Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash, Chi Omega's Chi Olympics, Alpha Phi and Sigma Pi's Phiesta Bowl, Beta Theta Pi's Duck Race and Alpha Delta Pi's Basketball tournament.

Gary Bonas, director of Greek Affairs, said these activities are based on the creativity of the particular sorority or fraternity, but must be approved by the University. Bonas added that although it is not required that each Greek organization sponsor an on-campus philanthropy, it is encouraged. He said, "It is an important component of fraternity and sorority life."

Panganiban added that although each sorority and fraternity is not required to hold their own on-campus philanthropy, each organization is required to participate in at least half of the philanthropies that are held by other sororities and fraternities each semester.

The Philanthropy chairs from each sorority and fraternity meet together every other week. Panganiban said that they are in the process of planning a Greek wide philanthropy. This activity will consist of a Dance-a-thon, which is tentatively scheduled for February 1997. Every Greek chapter on campus will be involved. The purpose is to have the Greek community work together instead of competing against one another. All the proceeds from this event will benefit Easter Seals.

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Students need more time to prepare for final exams

By the time that the end of the semester comes rushing upon students, they are left exhausted and out of breath. Just as the last pages of papers are being printed up it is time to turn around, re-group and start studying for finals. However, regrouping is no longer an option due to the lack of time between the end of the semester and the beginning of finals.

Reading days, although thought of solely as an extra chance to study, actually mean much more to students. After scrambling to get through the end of the semester crunch, students savor the extra hours reading days allow them to catch up with themselves (and their sleep).

Last spring the reading days were reduced from two to one without an explanation. The University was not forced to close due to hazardous weather, so there were no days to make up. Why then, were out reading days reduced?

Although it may not seem to be a big deal, 24 more hours is valuable time that many students need to sufficiently prepare for exams. Leaving one day between the completion of classes and the start of final exams is just not sufficient. In many cases, the final is a significant portion of a student's grade, and naturally they would want ample time to study. For a student who has an exam on Saturday morning, it seems unfair that they have but one day to prepare.

Studying is not the only reason reading days are so important to students. Many times professors offer review sessions for students, and some are available for extra help or to allow students to make up tests and quizzes. Also, many professors use a reading day to hold an extra class to catch up on material that was not covered during the semester. Although this is against University policy, it is a reality. Students who choose not to attend this class miss material that is essential for succeeding on the final. This is not a fair practice and must be more strictly enforced by the deans.

The University should reinstate the traditional two reading day period. Without this, students are forced to cram and grades are surely affected.

'Novan Poll

Does the University counseling center provide adequate services?

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L E T T E R S

Conditions in Corr Hall are unfit for living

To the Editor:

Living in Corr Hall, I have a unique perspective on the college experience. after finishing my breakfast in the Pit, I head back to my dorm and preparing myself for the unmistakable puke smell that will hit me when I open the door no matter how recently the maintenance people have cleaned. There is nothing like the lovely smell of home.

After I escape from the showers, I go to get dressed, but now my roommate is awake. Since he is up, there is not any room for me to be in the room too, so I have to get dressed in the hallway among the overturned garbage cans and old pizzas left over from the previous night's party.

That is what Corr hall used to be like. However, about two weeks ago, the maintenance people stopped coming to clean our dorm and restock the supplies. We went nine days without paper towels or toilet paper until we broke into the supply closet.

People wonder why Corr is such an animal house. It is because we live in an environment of animals, among trash and filth and in tiny cage-like cells. I fail to see the rationale behind keeping empty rooms in St. Mary's while packing two college males into rooms designed for one.

Mike Lehner
Class of 2000

Neil Sandhoff
Class of 2000

Community should extend love and support to rape victim

To the Editor:

In a letter to the editor in the Nov. 22 edition of *The Villanovan*, Carla Generose wrote a statement concerning the recent rape near Villanova's campus. In her letter she said: "hopefully the victim can feel the love and support our community does offer her."

I agree with Carla in that I hope that this victim (survivor) of rape, as well as other survivors of rape who attend Villanova, feel the love and the support that many people on this campus have to offer. Unfortunately though, this campus is also full of many people who offer nothing but ridicule and blame. This is, and has previously been, exhibited on specific occasions, such as the Take Back the Night march sponsored by the Villanova Feminist Coalition. On this occasion young "men" from Villanova's campus felt the need to yell obscene and dehumanizing comments at those who were marching.

Take Back the Night is an event that attempts to bring together women and men from Villanova's campus in order ton demonstrate their concern about the well-being and the safety of women. The event exists because women should be able to run, walk or drive at 2 a.m. and not constantly be plagued by the fear of rape or of other violent crimes. The march also serves to remind Villanova that if a woman must limit her usual activity due to a fear for her safety, she is not able to fully experience the freedom from fear to which all people are entitled.

Those men and women who choose to partake in this event are marching to gain support for a world in which women, as well as men, can be safe at night. Another unfortunate circumstance surrounding the Take Back the Night march is that many people, men and women, tend to think that it is an anti-male event, which it is *not*. Instead, it is an event which is anti-violence and pro-safety; one in which more Villanovans should participate. But before any victim/survivor of sexual assault on this campus can feel "love and support," love and support must be extended.

Diane T. Hansen
Villanova Feminist Coalition

Counseling Center does not meet student needs

To the Editor:

Congratulations to *The Villanovan* for finally acknowledging that rape occurs on our campus. I wondered if I would see the day when this issue would be addressed before I graduated, so you could imagine my surprise when it was. Surprise was not the only thing that I felt when I read the headline on last week's newspaper. I was also angry. Angry that this happened, angry to know that someone's life had been profoundly effected, but most importantly, angry to know that this victim was not going to get the help and care she needs at Villanova.

I know this because a little over a year ago I was in the same situation. School began 10 days after I was raped and I was here for it in attempt to get on with my life. My parents agreed to let me return as long as I pursued getting help. I went to the counseling center where I was told that I would be limited to 10 sessions, according to University policy, and my problem was too big for them to deal with in that limited amount of time, but they would be happy to give me names of therapists I could contact outside of school at my own expense.

Then they sent me on my way, alone, and that was the last time they saw me. The end result was my inability to deal with this alone, and finally I left school to go home. This letter is not intended to bash Villanova.

The truth is, there are a handful of faculty, including my advisor and Father Stack's office, whom, without their help, I would not have returned here. Their caring and support ranked up there with that of my family, roommate and friends. The outrage I feel is due to the lack of an established network to help victims of this crime. I was fortunate to find those whom I could ask for help and receive it, but in a university this size, there is no excuse for not handling the problems that occur after a crime like this.

I ask the Villanova community to realize that even if this is the first time you have read about a crime like this on campus, do not fool yourself into believing that it does not happen often, because it does.

Casey Lawlor
Class of 1998

Letters

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C O M M E N T A R Y

Voiceless victim is culture's latest casualty

By JOE PATTERSON

A few days before Villanova broke for the Thanksgiving holiday, the tri-state area was buzzing with the news of the latest grisly murder. The saga involved two wealthy teenage lovers who allegedly murdered their newborn son, leaving him in a motel dumpster.

The father, a college freshman, admitted putting the child in the trash after the mother, also a freshman, gave birth in a hotel room. The mother, who had somehow kept her pregnancy shrouded in secrecy, was treated for post-pregnancy complications at a hospital while the father waited ten days before turning himself in. During that time, his family reportedly examined the prospects of whisking him to another country to avoid prosecution.

In the end, his lawyer orchestrated a media-oriented surrender as the slender baby-faced boy (wearing a Villanova cap, by the way) was photographed bidding farewell to his distraught mother. Admittedly, it all sounds pretty bizarre. As could be expected, public reaction has spanned the entire spectrum.

One portion of the population expressed dismay that two kids from well-to-do backgrounds could commit such an atrocity. Implicit in this troublesome sentiment, though, is the belief that less wealthy people are somehow less required to be moral. Of course, there are other serious issues involved. Much will be said about the media feeding frenzy or the commercialization of tragedy. And books could be written on why the Philadelphia Daily News chose the nonsensical front-page headline, "Prisoner of Love," to describe the father's plight. But all of these discussions, as worthy as they may be, ignore the most glaring message that begs to be noticed.

The Patterson Perspective

People are shocked that a baby boy was left in a dumpster after suffering, according to the an autopsy by the state examiner, multiple skull fractures due to blunt-force trauma and shaking. But can we really be surprised? The mother could have legally secured a late-term abortion less than 24 hours prior to the birth. It doesn't seem as though the partial-birth abortion process of delivering a baby feet-first until only the head remains inside the womb, and then stabbing the back of the neck with scissors, is any less brutal. If the mother had ventured to the abortionist earlier in her pregnancy, maybe the violence would have been contained within the womb, but, in many cases, it's no less bloody.

These descriptions are unsettling, but so is the idea of beating an infant to death moments after its birth. Did the couple, assuming they are guilty, really make that big a leap? Just maybe, Pope John Paul II isn't merely practicing demagoguery when he warns against the "Culture of Death" that we have spawned.

Legally, there is a thin line discerning acceptable killing from unacceptable. It seems as though we have exhibited the worst form of hubris by somehow implying that a person's humanity is affirmed (or soul is infused) at the moment the umbilical cord is severed.

In Planned Parenthood v. Casey, the Supreme Court argued that the definition "of the universe and of the mystery of human life" must be left up to the individual. Apparently, this child didn't fit into his parents' view of the universe. Indeed, we live in an amazingly permissive culture. From one warped point of view, these two young lovers have simply tried to expand the boundaries of acceptance.

Ultimately, we must establish some moral priorities, especially in regard to the life issues. Otherwise, can we really be surprised when teenagers mimic society's propensity for redefining life to fit their own expectations?

I, for one, remain hopeful. I pray that this most recent young victim didn't die in vain. His blood cries out for justice, just as does the blood of the millions of other voiceless victims.

Recent conspiracies offer thoughts on racism and sexism

By MARC ANGELACCIO

In the age of political correctness, it often becomes necessary to dig down deep to find many of the unpolitical and often immoral ideas, beliefs and traditions that still flow in our society today. 30 years ago it was common to find the symbols and language of racism and sexism plastered across the cultural billboards of our society. In today's society, however, it often takes an expose or conspiracy to reveal to our naive eyes that racism and sexism still exists.

The recent revelation of racist banter and conspiracy in the high corporate offices of Texaco confirmed, in an ugly way, this point. The same can be said of the sexual abuse exposed at Army training facilities, at Maryland's Aberdeen Proving Grounds and elsewhere. Both these examples appear to suggest that progress in race and sex relations is a sham. That secretly, even trained and educated, Americans *remain racist and sexist. It seems* to suggest that the civil rights movement and its attempt to change a culture was a hoax, a means of covering in the public realm what people still believe in the private realm.

On the Marc

But we should not jump to these quick conclusions. Racist conversations in one corporate office, even if it does dismantle arguments that racism is dead in mainstream America, should not indict all of corporate America, nor should it even indict all of Texaco's management. The arrest of a few male drill sergeants, even though it will make recruiting females for the Army more difficult, does not mean that the Army is unsafe for young women. If anything, situations such as these should only allow us to reevaluate how far we have come.

When laws were enacted a couple of decades ago to try to insure equality in America, the argument was that these laws would not change the way people think, only force them to act differently. To an extent, these arguments were right. Even if they do not do it as openly as they would years ago, many people, some in the power positions of our society, still think on racial and sexist terms. It is naive to believe that America has shrugged off and fully forgotten centuries of racist and sexist thought and action.

Even if trying to change the way America thinks about racism and sexism has proved short of full success, enforcing change in behavior has made much larger strides in achieving equality. The armed forces offer prime examples of this success. Over the past two decades, the Army has become a model of racial integration, despite the known and often public presence of unreformed racists within the ranks.

A similar argument could be said of sexism, where in the Army women have more than proven themselves in all ranks. There has also been a policy to train and promote black officers and woman officers, not by elevating the unqualified but by broadening the pool of well-trained candidates to include more African-Americans and women.

Accompanying this effort to promote blacks and women is the attempt to stunt racists and sexists movement to the top of the military hierarchy as seen by the lack of promotion of officers who expressed racist and sexist opinions. The military's success results from changing behavior, not changing beliefs.

Changing racist and sexist attitudes, although the ultimate goal of social reform, is not only unnecessary, it is not often effective. The callous remarks of the Texaco officials and the sexual harassing efforts of some drill sergeants only proves this true. These scandals allow us to peak behind the curtain to see the still ugly truth that lies behind.

Perhaps the most positive element to come from these recent scandals is not that they exist, but that they have caused such commotion in our society. A couple of decades ago, the type of discussion overheard in the Texaco boardroom was commonplace, and sex scandals in the military were nonexistent mainly because women were not allowed in the military.

We must realize that social adjustment will always encounter major walls. To believe otherwise is naive. Undoubtedly, it does take more than laws and rules to change the way people think. These recent scandals illustrate this point. But there is no question that rules and regulations can change what people do. In the attempt to erase racism and sexism from society, action may very well precede thought.

The year in review: 1996 offered nothing but boredom

By ANN GAVAGHAN

Well, it's the last issue of *The Villanovan* for this year, so that means it's time for my annual year in review! Admittedly, I have never written a year in review before, and I will not be around next year to write another one, so consider this a short-lived tradition born out of a desperate need to find a column topic.

Hey—what would you rather read? Another column on the Peterson-Grossberg case? My hilarious yet heartwarming account of what my parents did when I showed up for Thanksgiving with vegetarian idealism and a shaved head? A column about Christmas that I cannot write because even though the rest of the United States has begun Christmas consumption in earnest, I refuse to think about the holidays until my Chinese history final is over? A year in review is the only logical choice.

I know some nitpickers out there are looking at their calendars and saying, "Hey, it's only Dec. 6! There is still three weeks to milk from this year!" Well, I could put this column off until January, but by then I will have a month's worth of bile to spew across these pages, so it is best to get it over with now. And by then, people are sick of year in reviews. Not only will 1996 have been wrung of any unnoticed moment, Americans have already broken their New Year's Resolutions for 1997 and do not really want to be reminded that their new year has already been shot to hell.

So if you happen to be one of the really uptight people who does not want to read a Year In Review until the year is officially over, stop right now, and save this column until next year. Pretend that this column is actually topical by circling one of the following endings to it: Frank Sinatra survives! When he was 81, it was a very good year. Frank Sinatra died! When he was 81, it was a very bad year. Very bad.

And now that I have wasted about half of my column with disclaimers, I should probably get around to actually reviewing 1996. The Chinese have an ancient curse: May you live in exciting times. Even with Sino-American relations shaky as they are, we have no fear of fulfilling that curse. My verdict is that 1996 was boring. BORING! The only thing to distinguish it from 1995 was its admirable lack of John Wayne Bobbit jokes. I think it will go down in history as the Year of the Status Quo. I would have slept through it if I didn't have 8:30 classes.

not just another load...

It was supposed to be exciting, right? America was hosting the Olympics. A presidential election was brewing. Aaron Spelling was working on yet another T and A-based series. Yet, like a movie trailer which makes a flop look exciting by jampacking all the good parts of a movie into a 2.5 minute ad, 1996 did not live up to its promise.

In retrospect, I should have known. Way back in February, when the New Hampshire primaries were brewing, the nation was electrified by Steve Forbes, a man as captivating as Wonder Bread. I probably should have been listening to his proposals on the flat tax, but I was too busy fantasizing about squeezing his cheeks. Out of all the presidential candidates, he definitely had the squooshiest face. What else did the campaign offer us? Lamar Alexander, ignoring the fact that Americans will never elect a "President Lamar", ran on the strength of his red flannel shirt. I think it was a subconscious appeal to the Generation X grunge lifestyle. Hey, Lamar—try untucking the shirt next time, okay? The one lesson I will take from the presidential campaign is that I should always have someone prescreen my *Newsweeks* for pictures of Bob Dole in his boxer shorts. Once we finally convinced the media to stop running pictures of Clinton jogging, Dole had to go and pull that treadmill stunt. (If you want to know, that's the real reason I did not vote for either of them. I wanted a president without a predilection for exposing his naked, hairy legs in public).

The Olympics brought us horrific NBC coverage, due in a great part to the ubiquity of NBC commentator John Tesh. Look—there he is on Entertainment Tonight! Look—there he is mangling the English language at the Olympics! Look—there he is playing his God-awful New Age pop! If I have but one wish for 1997, it is for less Tesh, a symbol of an American culture whereby talentless people can become famous simply for appearing on television.

Like 1996, it seems I have run out of space with nothing accomplished. I would have covered more events if something had happened, but nothing caught my imagination (with the exception of a bunch of bands you have never heard of and would cover your ears if you did).

Clinton's still president, our administration instituted its yearly tuition hike, sexism continued to run rampant, Hootie released yet another bland album, everyone still had the atrocious Friends haircut, and Villanova students sat on their butts and complained about problems rather then actually doing something. Oh yeah—some professors also discovered that there's a drinking problem on campus, and immediately tied it to the availability of Cliffs notes in the bookstore. I guess that just ensures I will have column fodder for yet another year.

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New Clinton proposal benefits working-class families

By PHIL MAYER

Twenty-three years ago, the wages for the "working-class" labors peaked. Today, working-class wages, when adjusted for inflation, are 15 percent lower. Two forces have tragically combined to diminish the value of having a high school diploma. These forces are the decrease in demand for unskilled labor and the decline in the percentage of laborers who belong to unions. Wages for those whose education stopped after high school graduation keep falling.

While in Harrisburg for a pro-union rally, I met a man who personified these tragic trends. He was a middle-aged working class person who, after graduation from high school, worked hard to support his family. He could not afford much, but at least he and his family had a roof over their heads and food on the table. He desperately wished he could afford to send his children to college, but simply could not. He worries that after his children graduate from high school, they will not be able to find a job with sufficient wages to support a family.

Meeting this man caused me to release how fortunate I was that my parents were financially able to send me to Villanova University. Recently, President Clinton announced a plan in which the government would pay for two years of education at a community college, provided that the recipient maintains a B average. If Clinton's proposal is implemented, not only will people like the gentleman I met in Harrisburg be able to afford to send their children to college, but productivity will increase as well.

However, if Clinton's plan is rejected, then more people will enter poverty because they will have to take low-paying jobs. Congress must ask itself: are we willing to allow more Americans to enter poverty?

L E T T E R S

No difference exists between infanticide and abortion

To the Editor:

A week before Thanksgiving, Brian Peterson and Amy Grossberg, freshmen college students from New Jersey, who had been high school sweethearts, were charged with first degree murder in the death of their newborn baby boy. The two checked into a Delaware motel where he helped her give birth. Then Peterson allegedly put the baby in a plastic bag and dropped him in a dumpster. The next day authorities found the dead baby with a broken skull. This heinous crime has left our country shocked, wondering how two youngsters could do such a terrible thing.

The widespread outrage felt over such a horrible crime is certainly justifiable, but what if a short time earlier the teens had chosen to get an abortion? Their act would have gone unnoticed. When the termination of life is carried out by a doctor, then some claim that it is justified.

However, what is the difference between what the two teens did and what occurs during abortion? Various types of abortion include the suction method, in which the child is often dismembered, the saline method, in which the baby is burned by deadly fluids, and partial-birth abortion, in which the brain of a partially delivered baby is ripped out if its skull. With the life sucked out of its small body, the aborted baby is put in a waste bag and discarded into the trash. Is this any less inhumane than what happened at the Delaware hotel?

Many people say that if they had just left the baby in the motel, or on someone's porch, or given him up for adoption, many would have been fighting over him. The demand for babies is so high and there are so many loving couples that have been waiting for years to adopt who would have provided a wonderful home for the child.

Again, these same arguments can be applied to the abortion debate. Is not adoption, giving someone a chance in life, much better than the brutality of abortion?

Pro-abortion advocated may argue that unless we keep abortion legal and attainable, more "back alley" abortions and cases of infanticide will occur.

Lawyers for the two teens will argue that full responsibility cannot be placed on them since they were confused, scared and not in a full state of sanity. The same can be said for women or young girls getting an abortion, and society certainly needs to do more to comfort and support those who face unexpected pregnancies.

Our society advocated violence as a means of solving social problems. Violence is an accepted method of birth control for unwanted pregnancies. Now there are calls to use violence in the form of the death penalty on a couple who dealt with their unwanted pregnancy on their own terms. "How can I give my only born child to the state to die," cried Peterson's mother.

Until we learn to respect life on all levels, until we can fully appreciate the joy and miracle of new life under any circumstances, and until we can see that violence is never the answer, we sill continue to be a nation plagued by horrible acts of violence.

George Phillips
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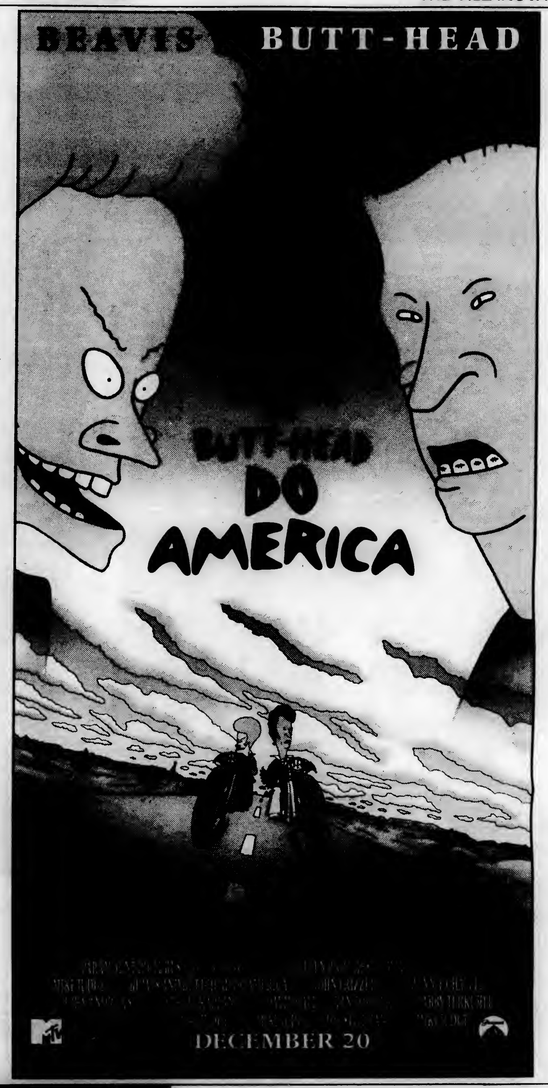

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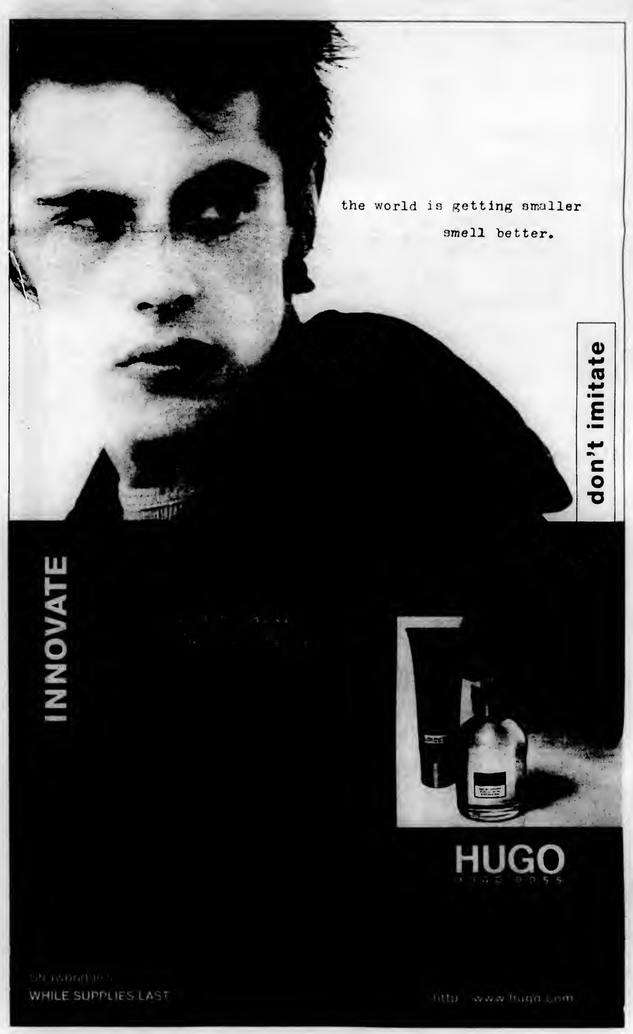

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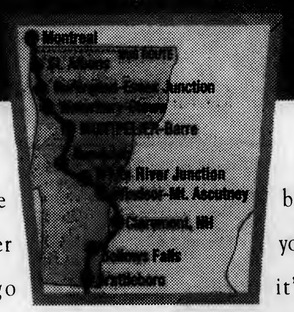

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Dec. 7

Operation Smile

The Villanova University Student Organization of Operation Smile cordially invite you and your parents to attend a holiday celebration on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. in the West Lounge, Dougherty Hall. Please call the Operation smile office at 215-955-1840 to let us know if you plan to attend.

Messiah Concert

The fourth annual Main Line Ecumenical Messiah Concert will be held Dec. 7 at the St. Thomas of Villanova Church, Villanova University at 8 p.m. Henry Scott, member of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra along with guest soloists and the Main Line Ecumenical Choir. This event is being sponsored by the athletic department, Campus Ministry, Music Activities and Multicultural Affairs.

Dec. 9

Gay/Lesbian Support Group

Students who are questioning their sexuality, are gay, lesbian or bisexual, or are concerned about such issues, are welcome to an informal meeting on Monday, Dec. 9, at 7:30 p.m. For more precise information call x96000, then voice mailbox 95443. Your call will be returned within 24 hours. You may also call Fr. Shawn Tracy at 519-4081 for further discussion. All calls will be confidential.

Burmese Speaker

On Monday, Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in Bartley Room 215, Amnesty International is sponsoring a talk given by Ohmar Khin, a Burmese refugee who will speak about her experiences as well as the current situation in Burma. All are invited. For more information please contact Giulia at x15283.

Dec. 11

SNAP Food Drive

As regular volunteers of the Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia, the Student Nurses Association of Pennsylvania (SNAP) will be sponsoring a food drive through Wednesday, Dec. 11. Items such as wrapping paper, scotch tape, ribbons, gift tags, bows, perfume, aftershave, lotions, bubblebath, kitchen supplies, etc. will be accepted. For additional information please call Karyn Rodgers or Linda Grzyb at x97317 If you cannot drop off your donations to St. Mary's Hall, please call the above number to arrange for someone to pick them up.

Passages Meeting

A meeting will be held for all those interested in Passages magazine on Thursday, Dec. 12 at 12:45 p.m. in the International Student Office in the Lower Level of Corr Hall. We need editors, writers, proofreaders, computer experts and anybody who is interested in helping with this unique publication. Poetry, short stories, art work and photography submissions are needed for the Spring 1997 edition. Please contact 'he International Student Office at 519-4095 if you cannot make the meeting and want further information.

Misc.

Amnesty Meeting

Amnesty International is a worldwide human rights organization with a chapter here at Villanova. Meetings are every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice (basement of Sullivan Hall). If you are interested in joining or have any questions please call Giulia at x15283.

Work in Germany

Graduating seniors who wish to spend a year in Germany serving as English Assistants in Catholic boarding homes may apply for the positions by contacting Dr. Rodger Van Allen of the theology and religious studies department at 519-4766. Some knowledge of German is required of the assistant, who is expected to speak English exclusively when interacting with students. The assistant must be creative in conducting discussion groups, organizing sports and games, conversing about life in the U.S. and assisting the students individually with homework. Applications must be completed by Dec. 15. Three graduates of Villanova are currently serving as English Assistants in the boarding schools which are conducted by the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart in the southwestern region of the country. For more info call 519-4766.

Scholarship available

Students majoring in environmental public policy and Native Americans or Alaska natives who intend to pursue careers in health care or tribal public policy are invited to inquire about being named a Morris Udall Scholar.

Students who are interested should contact Dr. R. Kelman Wieder before Jan. 20, 1997. The University will select and submit six nominees from which the University will award scholarships of $5,000 to juniors or seniors during the 1997-98 academic year. For more information call Dr. Weider at 519-4856.

March for Life

Villanovans for Life is sponsoring a free bus to Washington D.C. on Wednesday, Jan. 22. It will leave the Main Lot at 7 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. Call 519-4486 to reserve a seat. Students, staff and faculty members are welcome.

Retreat Team

In order to include more people on the Awaken Retreat teams, we are formulating a list of all those individuals who are interested in leading a retreat. This form is not a guarantee that someone will be chosen to lead a retreat but rather a way of making the interest to be on the team known. Some retreat experience either in high school or at Villanova is preferred. Please fill out a Retreat Team interest form in the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall or call Linda Jaczynski at 519-6699.

Senior Service

Have you decided what you will be doing once you graduate? Consider the possibility of giving back a year of service by volunteering and sharing your gifts with the poor of the U.S. or overseas. There are literally thousands of volunteer placements available. For more information see Barbara Haenn in the Campus Ministry office, St. Rita's Hall. An appointment calendar is right outside her office door.

VFC

The Villanova Feminist Coalition will meet on Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Justice Education (located in the basement of Sullivan Hall). All students interested in issues of gender and justice are welcome to attend. For more information call x94608.

Used Eyeglasses Wanted

Throughout this school year, Campus Ministry will be collecting used (but in good condition) eyeglasses that will be sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Short Hills, N .J. 07078. The glasses will be distributed to people in developing countries such as India, Africa, South and Central America. Eyeglasses may be brought to the Campus Ministry office in St. Rita's Hall or to the Sunday evening liturgies and left in the Sacristy. Thank you.

Prospective Grads

Full-time undergraduates who expect to receive degrees in December 1996 or in May 1997 are reminded that they should complete a "Prospective Graduate" card from the Registrar's office as soon as possible. These cards are essential to assure that names appear in the Commencement program and on diploma's exactly according to students' wishes.

Completion of the card doesn't guarantee graduation, but it is very important for those who do graduate! Names of students who have submitted Prospective Graduate cards are posted outside the Registrar's office, *203 Tolentine Hall.*

Advent Service

A reflective Advent Prayer Service will be offered in the Villanova church on the Wednesday evenings of December. The services are sponsored by the office of Campus Ministry at Villanova University. They are facilitated by SANCTUARY--a sacred music ensemble in the Villanova tradition. The services are one hour in duration, make use of seasonal scriptures and antiphonal music. They offer a splendid opportunity to escape the pressures of the season through reflection, psalmody and prayer. Open to all, the services begin at 8 p.m. For further information call 519-4080.

Service Awards

If you are considering volunteer service to the poor after graduation, you should be aware that the Americorps Program is now offering the same educational awards to people who serve in the private volunteer agencies such as Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Habitat for Humanity. Full time service can yield up to $4,000 in loan forgiveness or be applied to graduate school opportunities. For more information see Barbara Haenn in Campus Ministry.

Financial Aid

Financial aid applications for the 1997-98 academic year are now available in the Office of Financial Assistance and should be picked up as soon as possible. Students must complete a 1997-98 Villanova University application for financial assistance *and the Free Application for* Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA). Please be sure to read all instructions very carefully.

Students who completed a 1996-97 FAFSA application will receive a Renewal FAFSA at the address on file at the Federal Center Processor sometime in December. Original FAFSA applications may be obtained in the Office of Financial Assistance. Application deadline is April 15, 1997.

All typed F.Y.I.'s are due on Tuesdays by 5 p.m. in the Villanovan Office, 201 Dougherty Hall.

F E A T U R E S

SGA implements change in anticipation of next semester

By KELLY CURTIN
Assistant Features Editor

With the end of the fall semester quickly approaching, the Student Government Association (SGA) anticipates the spring semester in light of its many successes of the past couple of months.

Serving as the representatives to the student body, the SGA deals with matters as small as washer and dryer problems in the dorms to working on big projects like getting more apartments on West Campus.

"This has been a new and exciting year," said SGA vice pesident Sheldon Pollock. "We are all working really hard to reach out to as many students so we can hear new voices; this motivates us."

Looking back in perspective, the Student Government Association's biggest accomplishment this semester relates to having the largest executive board ever. This inclusive group of students has successfully worked together and is beginning to see things come together.

Though there have been many quiet successes this semester, Pollock comments that there have been accomplishments made to improve the quality of student life. The SGA has become more active by taking on its first ever philanthropy, Operation Smile. The overall structure of the SGA has been re-engineered to provide a narrower focus to address issues on campus that plague students. Some particular issues that have received individual committees to narrow the broad category of on campus concerns are shuttle services, student-teacher evaluation booklets, visitation policies and health center concerns.

This semester, the SGA has implemented a successful approach to distributing basketball tickets, laid the groundwork for a coffee shop in the basement of Good Counsel and approved the moving of student paychecks from the Financial Services building to delivery in students' mailboxes.

The spring semester holds many promising possibilities as the SGA looks to propose a Stanford computing site, change visitation policies that could be effective as early as the spring semester and make a push for two more apartments on West Campus.

"We are taking the steps to improve our active, visible and vocal status," said Pollock. "We have been vocal with the administration, but we need to turn things around and let students know what we have been advocating for them."

Pollock remarked that the official governing body of the students has continued successfully to act as a go-between for the students and the administration this semester. "We have set the building blocks of what we really need to accomplish and those will be our big goals we'll tackle next semester."

The Student Government Association will convene for its final meeting of the semester on Sunday in the Day Hop at 4:30 p.m.

FILE PHOTO

Acton and Pollock offer Senator Dole some Villanova paraphernalia after his campus visit in September.

A holiday display of celebration and tradition

By CATHERINE LANGE
Staff Reporter

'Tis the season of celebration. It is the time of year when families and friends come together to celebrate Chanukah and Christmas. It is the season to give joy and thanks for the past year and for the year to come. Chanukah and Christmas are merry celebrations of fun, family, life, triumph, good fortune, peace, freedom and devotion.

The special meaning behind Christmas and Chanukah are time honored traditions rejoicing in the religious experiences that occurred centuries ago. Christmas marks the celebration of the birth of Christ, for Christians all over the world. It is a celebration of peace and goodwill. Christmas, celebrated on Dec. 25, is a holiday that carries special meaning for Christians all over.

Christmas is celebrated with families and friends getting together, exchanging gifts and rejoicing in the love Christ has given us.

Gift giving at Christmas time originated from the gifts the three wise men brought to the Christ Child. Today, Santa Claus carries on that tradition at Christmas. Santa Claus, everyone's favorite Christmas legend, derives from the story of St. Nicholas during the 1800's. According to the legend, St. Nicholas would travel the world checking whether children had been naughty or nice before leaving them presents.

This tradition led Clement Clarke Moore to write the famous "'Twas the Night Before Christmas." It was in this writing that Santa Claus received a sleigh and eight reindeer named, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen.

The legend of Santa Claus has lasted for centuries, and with the legend comes the peace and love that is shared among family and friends during the celebration of the birth of Christ.

Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, is a celebration of the Jewish religion, and the struggle the Jews went through to keep their religion. Chanukah will begin on the eve of Dec. 6 this year and end on Dec. 14.

Chanukah is celebrated to rejoice in the miracle that occurred while the Jews were returning to the Holy Temple. When the Jews reached the Holy Temple they found that the temple had been defiled.

After the Jews were finished cleaning the temple, they decided to light the holy light, however, there was only enough pure and sacred olive oil to last for one day. The Jews lit the holy light and miraculously it burned for eight days and eight nights. The Jews proclaimed this a miracle and in celebration they now light the Menorah every year.

The Menorah is lit starting at sunset on the eve of Chanukah with the Shamash Candle which stands in the center of the Menorah. For eight nights the Menorah is lit, starting from right and moving left.

Before lighting, the candles blessings are said in Hebrew, praising their miracle. Each night an additional candle is lit in the Menorah along with the Shamash candle. By the eighth night the entire Menorah is lit and the celebration of Chanukah, the Festival of Lights has ended for the year.

Whether you are Jewish or Christian, this is the season of celebration and special meaning. Enjoy the holidays!

Toys for Tots makes Christmas special

By KELLY CURTIN
Assistant Features Editor

During this holiday season, Villanova's ROTC Naval unit has joined forces with the Marine Corps Reserve to support Toys for Tots by placing bins for gifts around campus.

Founded on the premise that "every child deserves a little Christmas," Toys for Tots was started in 1947 by the late Colonel Bill Hendricks in Los Angeles. Hendricks' wife had a hobby of making dolls, and one Christmas decided to give them away to underprivileged children. The interest immediately grew from there, and in its first year, the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program collected 5,000 toys.

Every year, nearly 200 Marine Corps Reserve units across the United States collect toys for needy and underprivileged children. Through the years, the program has averaged a collection of eight million toys each Christmas. Over the program's 49 years, 100 million toys have been collected through the hard work of the Marine Corps Reserve and its volunteers.

"I was contacted by a former marine, John Haynal, who asked if the Villanova ROTC Naval Unit would act as a liaison to the school," said Capt. Kevin Wall from the naval science department. "Through the administration, we got barrels placed in five locations on campus."

The Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program has attracted many volunteers, including celebrities. Walt Disney made a key contribution in the program's early years by designing the now famous train logo of the program, along with the first Toys for Tots Christmas poster.

"It is our job, as Marine Reserves, to collect the toys," said Haynal. "We then turn them over to different social groups or churches for distribution."

The Marines look for the support of the community who donate toys, services, time and space for the toy collection. Individuals can support Toys for Tots by donating a new, unwrapped toy and dropping it off at a local collection site. People can also volunteer to assist local Marines or make a donation to the Marine Toys for Tots Program.

Collection barrels have been placed in five locations on campus. They are located in Bartley Cafe, Connelly Center, John Barry Hall, the Student Lounge of the Law School and the St. Augustine Center.

The Marine Corps Reserve prides itself on the program by enabling many children to experience the joy and magic of Christmas. This would not be possible without the efforts of local communities and dedicated volunteers. The Reserve has helped to promote awareness of the needs of underprivileged children.

Any unwrapped toys should be placed in the bins around campus. The collection began on Nov. 25 and will run through Dec. 13. The toys will be collected by the ROTC Naval unit and turned over to the Marine Corps Reserve. All toys will go to underprivileged children in Philadelphia.

Make a needy child's Christmas special, give a gift in the spirit of the season. The hardest thing to say to a child is "I'm sorry, but Santa is not coming this year."

Priest reduces the spread of violence through his infusion of hope and faith

By KEITH MACCONNELL
Staff Reporter

Imagine a life where poverty is the norm and dreams of a future do not exist. Imagine a life where an ordinary day involves the fear of violence and death, where the sight of a dead friend is common, where hope is non-existent and despair runs rampant like a plague.

Father Greg Boyle, S.J., does not have to imagine. Instead, he witnesses it daily in his work with members of youth gangs at a community center in Los Angeles.

Boyle gave the Villanova community a vision of this life on Nov. 7 with his lecture "Reducing Youth Violence" presented by the Center for Peace and Justice. The lecture touched on topics of despair in Boyle's community and the reasons for its presence.

The current mentality is that gangs are responsible for the violence that takes place in inner city communities. These gangs, however are only a symptom of the larger problems of poverty, racism, boredom, despair and a lack of opportunity, according to Boyle.

The result is an obsession with the symptom and the institution of measures to curtail gang violence, such as increased law enforcement. As such, the real problems remain unsolved.

Boyle's stories of scared youths with loving hearts evoked a vision of the true nature of many gang members. This vision is a story of children who have with no place to turn. It is such a place that Boyle tries to provide.

"These kids need an infusion of hope. If you can't imagine a future for yourself the present isn't very good. If the present isn't good you don't care about hurting people or getting hurt," said Boyle. "They lack the ability to imagine anything better."

One way in which Father Boyle tries to provide hope is by providing jobs. Although he has seen his share of desperation, including 52 funerals for young community members, he has also witnessed success.

These successes are most apparent with those gang members who have been given a chance to work, learn and earn money. "Jobs give a dosage of hope," said Boyle.

The lecture concluded with a list of four methods for stopping gang violence, each of which must be executed "at the same time with equal vigor."

These methods are prevention for those not in gangs, intervention for those who are in gangs, enforcement and an attack on the context of poverty and despair in the community. It is these methods that Boyle continues to use and spread to others in hope that they, too, will reduce youth violence.

The Villanovan apologizes for the misprint of Dr. Mathis' quote in our last issue.

F E A T U R E S

Sororities prepare for the approaching rush of new members

By EILEEN KELLY
Staff Reporter

Preparations for Villanova Sorority Rush '97 are underway as the first day approaches. Sorority Rush begins Jan. 9 and continues until "Bid Day," Jan. 20. The process consists of four rounds of parties hosted by each of Villanova's eight sororities. All women who are full time students and have minimum GPAs of 2.25, and nursing students who have a C or above in science classes as well as a 2.25 or better, are eligible to participate for a $90 registration fee.

Rushing a sorority consists of four rounds of parties, according to Panhellenic Rush Committee Chair, Melissa Graveline. During the first round, all rushees go to individual sorority parties. Then sorority sisters decide to invite specific rushees back to second round parties. Rushees receive notification regarding second round party invitations and may select no more than five sorority parties to return to.

It's a lot of work, but once it gets going, it runs smoothly.

After second round parties, sororities once again gather and select girls to invite for third round parties and, of these invitations, rushees may accept no more than three.

After third round parties, sororities decide who to invite to participate in the fourth and final round parties, known as the preference round parties. "The preference round is more ceremonial and formal," said Graveline. Rushees may attend no more than two preference round parties.

Upon finishing this round, rushees rank their first and second choices and this information is registered in a computer. Sororities then enter a list of their preferences and the computer matches sororities with potential pledges.

The Rho-Chi committee, a group consisting of rush chair Melissa Graveline, two chair-people, Danielle November and Claudia Jones, and 36 Rho-Chi leaders from different sororities, direct and organize rush activities. The Rho-Chi leaders are selected by Rush Chair-people based on an earlier interview.

"Rho-Chi leaders are similiar to OCs (orientation counselors) because they lead and are responsible or helping girls know where they're supposed to be and when," said Graveline. Rho-Chi members have selected the theme "Be Strong, Be Bold, Just Be" for Rush '97.

Graveline is optimistic and excited about this year's activities. "It's a lot of work, but once it gets going, it runs smoothly."

Accountancy major provides path to success

By LAURIE DAVIS
Staff Reporter

Would you like to major in an area that will prepare you for certification in a professional career, offer you the opportunity for a full-time internship and give you a great chance to be employed by an internationally known company? If so, then accounting may be the major for you.

Dr. David Stout, chair of the department of accounting, said that there are a variety of career options for a graduate of the program. "The traditional route is for students to enter public accounting as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), but students are increasingly finding jobs in industry and government," he said.

In addition to preparing students to become CPAs, Villanova's program also allows students to become Certified Management Accountants (CMAs) or Certified Internal Auditors (CIAs). According to Stout, all of these career paths are common for graduates, although becoming a CPA is still the most popular goal.

Entry-level positions allow them to gain the experience order to be certified as an accountant. "We have a high placement rate, particularly with the Big Six companies," said Stout. The Big Six are a group of large, international public accounting firms.

In addition to high employment rates after graduation, accounting majors also have the chance to complete an internship while in school. Full-time internships are offered on a competitive basis to juniors in their second semesters.

Despite their tough curriculum, Villanova's accounting students find the time to take an active role in extracurricular activities as well. The Accounting Society is a group of students who hold weekly meetings and arrange for speakers to visit campus to talk to other Accounting majors.

The Accounting Society also arranges an annual reception for businesses to recruit accounting students. Dr. Stout has been consistently impressed by the Accounting Society. "They work very hard," he said. "The students do an impressive job."

One final thing sets Villanova's department of accounting apart from similar programs across the nation. The program itself is accredited by the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business.

According to Stout, although the school of Commerce and Finance is also accredited, it is rare for an individual accounting program to have such accreditation.

Clearly, an accounting major is the way to go for on-hands experience and the pathway to success.

The apartment lottery goes into operation

By MICHELLE BACON
Staff Reporter

It is now that time of year where rising juniors are faced with whether or not they will live in the apartments or will be back to the dorm for another year. The annual apartment lottery process is currently underway, as Residence Life informs parents and qualified students about the on-campus housing selection process.

Prior to Thanksgiving break, the Office for Residence Life sent an application and a flyer containing important information outlining apartment eligibility, housing distribution and participation rules to rising juniors.

Residence Life also sent a letter to parents containing housing assignment procedures, a sample copy of the application and a flyer outlining the rules. Students have until Dec. 9 to return their lottery application, and will learn the results during the early spring semester.

The apartment lottery is restricted to rising juniors and certain rising seniors. Seniors guaranteed four years of housing include nursing majors, female engineering majors and students with certain scholarships.

However students cannot attain eligibility for guaranteed housing through transferring or in-house major changes.

The majority of the apartments will be assigned to rising juniors as it is the main objective of the University to enable students to live on campus for a third year. In the 1995-96 lottery, 75 percentof the available apartments went to rising juniors.

In order to help ensure that only students with a genuine interest for on-campus housing enter the lottery, there is a required $200 non-refundable deposit against their fall 1997 housing assignment.

This may seem unfair to those who only want a chance at the apartments and if not will make plans to live off campus. Fortunately, there is leeway for those who are yet uncertain.

On the application if a student affirms an interest in participating in the apartment lottery, but answers no for the question inquiring an interest in the residence hall lottery, there will be no charge if the student does not get an apartment.

This will also forgo all eligibility for a third year of on-campus housing if an apartment assignment is not obtained. However, if a student affirms an interest in both the apartment and the residence hall lotteries, there will be a charge if either spot is waived.

Residents will apply for the lottery in groups of four, and all four registration forms must be handed in together to Residence Life by Dec. 9. Each group will then receive a random number generated by a computer, to determine their placement in the lottery.

Those groups who have received apartment assignments will find out during the early spring semester and will then sign and return a housing contract to Residence Life.

The lottery list will then act as a waiting list in the event of apartment unit vacancies. If single unit vacancies occur, and the remaining occupants do not choose a new roommate within a week, students will be chosen and notified by Residence Life.

This procedure can seem somewhat confusing to students who are not aware of the correct procedure to be followed. However, Residence Life clearly outlines the apartment housing lottery process in the letter and application sent to qualified students and their parents.

PHOTO BY ERIN CONNELLY

The West Campus apartments that are up for lottery next semester.

New executive board is elected to continue service successes

By ANDREA MARESCA
Staff Reporter

Recently, the Sigma Eta chapter of the national service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega held some tightly contested elections for executive board positions for the upcoming year. As APO's president, Alia Pustorino will oversee all of the chapter's operations. Moving into the backbone position of service vice president is George Phillips and Jess Bucca as membership vice president. Assisting Bucca in the new position of pledge chair is Brian Hermann. Rounding out the executive board is Treasurer Tim Lewis, Historian Amy Smith and Secretary Andrea Maresca.

APO is the only co-ed service fraternity at Villanova. The chapter at Villanova was reinstated in 1993, and since then experienced a resurgence in membership. This spring they will hold rush for any male or female in any class who is interested in becoming a member. The rush process involves three projects: the rush class must do a service project, hold a fund-raiser and organize a social event for the entire fraternity.

APO does various service projects as well as fund-raisers for national and local organizations and groups within the Villanova community. On Halloween, they went trick-or-treating for canned goods in local neighborhoods. They donated these cans to the Wayne Hall, a shelter in Philadelphia for women with drug and alcohol problems. APO organizes weekly trips to a Salvation Army to spend time with children.

Further, they took part in a fund-raiser for the Cancer Society for which they took pledges on the number of three point shots that the men's basketball team will make this season. As for on campus activities, once again they painted faces this year at Olympic Town, and several members have formed teams for intramural sports.

To become involved, APO holds weekly meetings in Mendel 158 and these meetings are always open to anyone interested.

Greek Briefs

Congratulations to all the newly elected Alpha Chi's. To Tau Kappa Omega, we have not yet forgotten the bunny incident and we would like to suggest that you may want to keep Sag indoors for some time.

Congratulations to two great DG's on making the Blue Key Society: Aimee Golden and Erin Fitzpatrick. Delta Gamma wants to thank all participants of our Anchorsplash.

Congratulations to our newest Alphas-Doreen, Kelly and Tina. Congrats to the ADPi intramural flag-football team on making it to City 6-you and congrats to ADPi's: Mo, Jen B., Marissa, Jane, Emily M. and Amy P. for winning the Delta Gamma Anchorsplash this year!

Sigma Phi Epsilon would like to congratulate this year's Balanced Man Scholarship winner, Keith McEvoy. We also want to take our hats off to Brother Dan Lammot, who worked very hard on the scholarship program. SAE would like to congratulate their newly elected executive board: Dan McCarey, Tim Costello, Keith Manning, Max Pitcher and Jon McDonald. The brothers also want to recognize the great job our outgoing executive board did: Chris Cashman, Darragh Delany, Joe Griffith, Mike Scarpelli and Jim Eaton.

The Villanovan Top 10

Straight from the home office of the estrogen queens, the top 10 reasons why students need another reading day.

10. Have to trudge down to Borders for Cliffs Notes.
9. Copy Time takes a day to run off exam answers.
8. Have to celebrate New Year's eve eve eve eve eve.
7. Need to search for Giggling Elmo doll.
6. You haven't gotten over the death of Tiny Tim.
5. Have to get your cap back from that Peterson kid.
4. Still recovering from the honors Christmas party.
3. Need to search for a landlord who rents to students.
2. Have to go to the basketball game.
1. Pete and Sheldon said so.

F E A T U R E S

The facts and truths of Rohypnol

By CHRISTI LEHNER
Staff Reporter

Since Rohypnol first surfaced on the Villanova campus in September of 1996, five students, both females and males, have come forward claiming they were given the drug.

Rohypnol, known as the new "Date Rape Drug," is commonly added to drinks at fraternity parties and college social gatherings. It is given to females in the hopes of lowering their inhibitions, making them prime targets for sexual assault.

According to Jan Janosik, director of the Villanova Drug and Alcohol Center, "We've had cases where we're almost positive it's been Rohypnol, but we can't prove it through the tests because the students did not come to us in time." Rohypnol leaves the body within 60-72 hours, depending on the dosage. It can only be traced through urine tests.

Rohypnol, a form of the sedative flunitrazepam, is a potent tranquilizer that is similar to Valium, but 10 times more powerful. It is colorless, odorless, tasteless and dissolves easily in food and liquid. It is most commonly used to enhance the effects of drugs and alcohol.

Rohypnol begins to take effect within 20-30 minutes of ingestion. It causes amnesia, impaired motor skills, drowsiness, disinhibition, muscle relaxation, dizziness and visual disturbance. If taken by itself, Rohypnol will make the user appear intoxicated, with slurred speech, lack of coordination and blood-shot eyes. If mixed with high levels of alcohol, Rohypnol can lead to respiratory aspiration or even death.

According to Janosik, Rohypnol has a "synergistic effect." Those who take Rohypnol after drinking two beers will feel as though they have had six beers.

If a woman blacks out and is sexually assaulted, she will usually experience amnesia and will be unable to remember what happened to her. Although it is possible to have flashbacks of the black-out period, total amnesia occurs in the majority of cases.

Janosik prefers to call Rohypnol "The Black Out Drug" or "The Forget Pill" instead of its common nickname, "The Date Rape Drug," because the outcome is not always sexual assault. Men, as well as women, have been given the drug. Janosik said, "I'm not sure the consequence will always be on a college campus."

The University is actively fighting the suspected Rohypnol abuse on campus by educating students about the drug in hopes of preventing abuse before it even starts. Resident assistants have given individual floor presentations in their dorms. Public Safety distributed educational flyers with detailed information about the drug and its effects. According to Janosik, "Our goal is to get the information out there. The student body is better off knowing."

Joanne Aversa, investigator for Public Safety, works with students who come forward with claims Rohypnol abuse or sexual assault. She is currently doing informational presentations in all the dorms on the connection between Rohypnol and sexual assault.

Aversa vows that the "buddy system" is the most effective preventive measure students can take against Rohypnol. She urges students to go to parties and, most importantly, leave together.

According to Janosik, Rohypnol abuse is not limited to campus parties. She claims it is quickly becoming popular on the club scene. Students should never put their drinks down because Rohypnol can be slipped into their cups while they are on the dance floor.

Those who put the drug into the cups wait for the drug to take effect and then take advantage of the students. Aversa urges any students who believe they have consumed Rohypnol to report it immediately to Public Safety or the Drug and Alcohol Center. If a student wishes to be tested for Rohypnol consumption, Villanova will ensure that testing is provided.

Hoffmann-La Roche, the company that manufactures Rohypnol, currently provides free testing. Villanova works with the company to provide testing for students.

As yet, there is no official school policy outlining the penalty for the possession or administration of Rohypnol. According to Aversa, the official legal penalty is a 20-year sentence.

UNIT reaches out to off-campus students

By TIMOTHY AY
Assistant Director Communication and Network Services, UNIT

Living off campus presents many challenges that do not exist for students in residence halls. One of these challenges is accessing campus computing resources without having to come to campus.

This past summer, UNIT attempted to provide off campus students with some of the same capabilities that the resident students have. This was done by entering into a contractual agreement with MCI to provide both internet and Novell access to campus resources.

The selection of MCI was done after considerable investigation and deliberation. There were many Internet Service Providers (ISPs) who offer general Internet access, but most are incapable of providing Novell access.

Other considerations were cost and user support. MCI was selected because their Campus MCI program was already in place and working at other universities, it provided Novell support and was backed up by a help desk. This program was to be up and running at Villanova by the first of September.

Since the initiation of the MCI contract, MCI has re-engineered the way in which they deploy their Campus MCI platform. The original agreement would have placed their hardware here on our campus. The new method of deploying Campus MCI funnels all users to one of several "super sites" which reside around the country. The user is then routed back to our campus through a dedicated communications link.

This re-engineered platform has presented the University and our off campus users of Campus MCI with many difficulties. There has been considerable difficulty with the help desk support; the Novell connectivity piece doesn't work.

After much discussion with MCI and considerable effort on the part of the University, it is unlikely that MCI will be able to deliver the contractually agreed upon services. The University has therefore decided to terminate the Campus MCI contract.

UNIT is exploring other means to provide connectivity to our off campus users. Current users of the Campus MCI platform are free to continue in MCI's public Internet program or enroll in any ISP program of their choice.

IHC
Inter-Hall Council
invites all students to attend the

Hall-Council
Member-At Large
Meeting

Monday, December 9th
at 7pm in the Cinema

E N T E R T A I N M E N T

"101 Dalmatians" revamped for the 1990s

By SARA HOUCK
Assistant Entertainment Editor

Disney's latest feature film, "101 Dalmatians" is a remake of their animated classic, only this time around all the characters are live, including the dogs.

In fact, throughout the shooting of the movie, all 101 puppies had to be replaced several times because they were growing too fast. Others changes were also made to the original story line to give "Dalmations" a more 90s feel.

These changes become evident in the opening scene. In the original, Pongo, the leading male dog, is owned by Roger Dearly, a struggling songwriter trying hard to make ends meet. In this version, Roger (Jeff Daniels) is still struggling, but it is not over notes and chords. He is a video game designer attempting to get the approval of a 10-year-old genius who has predicted the top selling game every year since he was six. Roger has rigged his London home so that Pongo can do everything from start the coffee maker to turn on the computer.

Anita (Joely Richardson), the owner of Perdita, Pongo's love interest, has no occupation in the original, but this time around she is a fashion designer working for millionaire and fur-lover Cruella DeVil (Glenn Close). She designs a dress for DeVil to wear to an upcoming social event with the details inspired by her dog's coat.

DeVil immediately falls in love with the design and asks Anita if the hair was fine or coarse. Anita replies that it is coarse now, but it was very soft when her dog was a puppy. Upon hearing this, Cruella's quest for as many little puppies as she can get her hands on begins.

The search, of course, leads Cruella to the home of Roger and Anita, who have by now married after meeting at the park with a little help from their canine companions. The two are expecting their first child, as are Pongo and Perdita, who have also "married." When Cruella pops in for a visit, Anita assumes that she is there to congratulate her and accidentally lets it slip that Perdita, too, is pregnant.

All is going well for the Dearlys until the day when the puppies are born. DeVil shows up again, this time offering to buy the puppies, and when she is denied, vows that the Dearlys will be sorry. She contacts her henchmen, Jasper and Horace, and instructs them to steal the puppies and take them to the barn where 84 others are waiting to be slaughtered by Mr. Skinner, a man left mute when a dog attacked him and ripped out his vocal chords.

PHOTO CREDIT: CLIVE COOTE

Disney's "101 Dalmations" stars Jeff Daniels and Joley Richardson as Roger and Anita Dearly .

Horace and Jasper break into the Dearlys' house while they are out walking the two older dogs and snatch the puppies. Upon returning, Pongo and Perdie find their puppies missing and enlist the help of the entire animal population of London to find them. This begins a long sequence of "Home Alone"-like antics between the animals and burglars, all planned out by the furry creatures in hopes of getting the 99 puppies back to safety. After the two dog snatchers are foiled, Cruella decides that she is going to have to put an end to the puppies' escape herself, but, as one might expect, the animals have plenty in store for her as well.

Overall, the cuteness of the dogs outshines the performances of the actors. Daniels and Richardson do a fair job, but then again the parts do not have much to offer. In all fairness, this could be because both roles are not very important in the original, and do not transfer well into this version. Close, on the other hand, gives the only outstanding performance by a human in her role as the villainess DeVil.

While "101 Dalmatians" might not be the best film of the season, it does prove to be very pleasing to children. So, if one finds oneself with the job of entertaining younger siblings or relatives over the holidays, a trip to see "Dalmatians" may just be the answer to one's prayers!

Visit explosive special effects exhibit at Franklin Institute

By JANET RUDDOCK
Senior Reporter

Ever wonder how they blow up the White House in "Independence Day" or how they do the special effects in "Star Wars"? Look no further. The Franklin Institute, located on the Ben Franklin Parkway, is featuring a special effects Omniverse Theatre show, "Special Effects: Anything Can Happen," that brings viewers inside the action with the institute's life-like four-story dome shaped screen and entertains while teaching.

Starting out every omni show used to be the "Spirit of Philadelphia," but much to this viewer's surprise, all that has changed. The new beginning is the "Philadelphia Symphony. " Similar in theme to the "Spirit of Philadelphia," it is a nice change of pace for those who see every show and were frankly, getting sick of the old one. It starts out with the Philadelphia Orchestra and continues on with many Philadelphia sites, some cultural others not.

"Special Effects: Anything Can Happen." shows and explains how various aspects of "Independence Day" and other technically complex movies are created. There is nothing like seeing the explosions of "Independence Day" on this huge screen. Viewers feel as if everything they are seeing is right in front of them, and they are part of the action. The flames from the raging fires that run through "Independence Day" truly seem like they will jump out and touch the audience.

PHOTO CREDIT: THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE

Franklin Institute exhibit is a trip through special effects heaven.

The show is not just non-stop action; the more educational aspects of creating the movie are shown as well. This film shows how miniature sized buildings are created and how the explosion experts make their destruction look so real.

"Star Wars," also featured, allows audiences to see how objects in outer space appear to be moving away, or towards viewers, when they actually remain dormant. Set creation for scenes on other planets create for an eye opening experience as well. This action packed and educational omni is a must see, although there is one word of caution. Attached to this spectacular omni show is an exhibit that one can see for a couple of extra dollars. Do not bother; it is not very good.

The Franklin Institute is one of this city's most entertaining and interactive museums, with exhibits that bring hands- on science experiments to the scientifically inept and adept. Some of its best exhibits include experiments with electricity, a tour through a plastic, larger than life human heart and walks through old-fashioned trains.

Many of the exhibits seem as if they are geared toward the young, but they are great for the young at heart as well. If one makes the trip to the Omniverse Theatre, do it early in the day and check out the museum while there.

Razorblade Suitcase mesmerizes listeners

By KEITH MACCONNELL
Staff Reporter

The release of *Razorblade Suitcase* by the British rock band Bush marks a shift for the group from upstart phenom to rock-world veteran.

The band has delicately balanced the unique sound from its first album, *Sixteen Stone*, with original ideas to produce new and exciting music. The album echoes the emotion that made Bush's first album so popular, while providing fresh material for listeners to enjoy.

The album begins with a heavier mix of the quartet's distinctive guitar riffs and pounding lyrics, with tracks such as "personal holloway" and "insect kin." The music tones down as the album progresses, with "synapse," the ballad-like "bonedriven" and the hypnotic "distant voices." The powerful, raspy voice of lead singer Gavin Rossdale continues to provide a mesmerizing quality to the group's music.

Bush avoids the problem of monotony inherent on many modern rock albums by interspersing the use of violins and cellos on several of the tracks. They also create a new sound with high-pitched guitar riffs on other songs such as "greedy fly."

This refreshing quality solves another problem for the group. While second albums of many bands become jumbled regurgitations of earlier music, the injection of new sounds and instruments into *Razorblade Suitcase* allows the album to surpass Bush's earlier endeavors.

The lyrics of the album explore the darkness inherent in life and the human soul. The tracks cover a wide range of emotions and touch on subjects of doubt, fear, emptiness, love and hope. *Razorblade Suitcase* is a must-have for all Bush fans and would be a welcome starting place for all those who missed *Sixteen Stone*.

PHOTO CREDIT: GLEN LUTCHFORD

Bush's second album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, showcases the quartet's distinctive style.

Picture Perspectives: "Jingle All the Way"

Arnold Schwarzenegger's latest comedy venture puts him in a race to buy the season's hottest toy: Turbo Man. HowardLangston (Schwarzenegger), a business man who has little time for his family, has promised his son the action figure as a way to make amends for his habit of missing important events.

Mailman Myron (Sinbad) offers Langston his chief competition in the shopping arena while ultra-neighbor Ted (Phil Hartman) offers Langston competition on the home front, trying to woo his wife (Rita Wilson). James Belushi's Santa and Robert Conrad's police officer help round out the barriers to Turbo Man.

Comedic heavy-hitter Chris Columbus, who directed "Mrs. Doubtfire" and the two "Home Alone" movies, serves as the producer. The movie takes place in and around the Twin Cities of Minnesota.

This ain't no "Terminator"

By JOE PATTERSON

Arnold's acting outshines his counterparts, and that's not normally a good thing. He has come a long way from his "Pumping Iron" and "Conan" days, but comedy obviously is not his forte. He seems able to transcend a bad script in his action movies (which tend to be funnier than his comedies), but poor comedic dialogue is normally less salvageable.

While certain scenes produce smiles (like Arnold battling his way out of a warehouse full of shady Santas), there were no side-splitting episodes. In fact, his goofy smile and exaggerated facial expressions provide the most redeeming moments.

Sinbad is his normal, blustery, unfunny self, relying almost exclusively on trite postal service stereotypes. Hartman also misses the mark, emerging as obnoxious and unamusing instead of obnoxious and funny, even though his character seems perfectly suited for his limited repertoire.

The movie could have emerged as an indictment of the consumeristic plague that surrounds modern society, but instead serves as its qualified justification. In the end, the principle that parental neglect can be supplanted by material gift giving remains relatively unchallenged. Sure, the buffoonery that surrounds Arnold and Sinbad offers a satirical view of this concept, but the resolution is ultimately unsatisfying.

In the end, though, it is a mildly enjoyable experience. Then again, I am a huge Arnold fan who thinks "True Lies" was a tour-de-force. But whatever you do, do not go with an unappreciative date.

RATING (out of 10): 5

PHOTO CREDIT: MURRAY CLOSE

Schwarzenegger's latest movie, "Jingle All the Way," sends him in search of the elusive toy, Turbo Man.

Worse than "Junior," if you can believe that

By MELISSA SODOLSKI

Ah . . . Christmas. It is a time for family, giving and great movies. This holiday season, one should not add "Jingle All the Way" to one's list of must-sees. (Especially if one plans to see it at the United Artist Theater in Bryn Mawr, which no longer offers a student discount.)

If viewers thought that "Junior" was the worst script Schwarzenegger would accept, "Jingle All the Way" goes above and beyond that cinematic nightmare. Schwarzenegger is not an actor. He is a marble-mouthed Austrian who is better off blowing up stuff than trying to be a comedian. Flex and wave, Arnie, because that is all you are good for.

It is a sad day for humankind when a movie reviewer is forced to admit that Schwarzenegger is the most talented cast member of a film. However, with a list of supporting actors including Sinbad, Rita Wilson and Phil Hartman, this is not an incredible claim to make.

Sinbad crawls out from the realm of canceled Fox sitcoms to play his role, while Rita "I only got this job because I'm married to Tom Hanks" Wilson plays Schwarzenegger's colorless wife whose only admirable quality is her nice teeth.

And finally, Phil Hartman plays the shameless neighbor who has more than just his eye on the local women. Hartman, who is a fine comedian, does not perform to his potential.

I would not be so quick to criticize if I did not have suggestions for improvement. First, ax Sinbad. Second, cast Hartman in Sinbad's role and incorporate some humorous episodes in the battle. Third, let Schwarzenegger set things on fire, because the Power Ranger-esque action is substandard. Finally, rewrite the ending because the movie is almost enjoyable until the last half hour.

RATING (out of 10): 2

Kaia Lynn Wilson shows off her softer side on *Kaia*

By CARA BECKERICH
Editor in Chief

Kaia Lynn Wilson, a member of the Olympia-based band Team Dresch, has recently made her solo debut with a lovely little album, entitled what else, but *Kaia*. This simple 30 minute barrage of dulcet music is a sweet listening pleasure.

With her solo music, Kaia has taken quite a different path then that of her band, Team Dresch. The latter, which is usually categorized under the "angry chic rock" label, is loud and demanding. The band's lyrics are straight and to the point, while the music has the tendency to slap the listener in the face.

On *Kaia*, the lyrics still have the sting of truth heard on Team Dresch's two full length albums, *Personal Best* and *Captain My Captain*, but the music has been slowed down to a complementing drawl. While Team Dresch could be likened to punk music, Kaia could almost be considered folk music.

Kaia is brimming with hidden treasures. Each song has been written, played and sung by Kaia herself, with the exception of one track, "16," which another woman, Denk, has helped to write and sing. Each song is about life and the love and pain involved in living in a world that does not always accept. Exploring the theme of lesbianism from a personal level, Kaia delivers beautifully kept secrets with a passion that is to be admired. Her voice spins out over quiet guitars in a soothing lull.

Lyrics such as, "What I meant to say is I'd go anywhere in the middle of my sleep-trade my confusion for your voyage," from the song "Madame," and "Sometimes when I'm holding so tight I'm pushing you further away-sometimes when I think that I am right I know there should be no sides to take," from "No Sides," sum up the attitude portrayed throughout the whole CD. *Kaia* takes a realistic look into the pain and happiness caused by being in love with anyone—man or woman. In a confident manner, she belts out song after song straight from her heart.

The album is a joint project of Candy-Ass Records and Chainsaw, which are Donna Dresch and Jody Bleyle's (members of Team Dresch) individual recording labels respectively.

In a society where everyone is not looked upon as equal, standing up and telling everyone who one is and what one is all about is a tough thing to do. Kaia manages to create an album searching through a very controversial issue, without dragging in unnecessary political garbage. Instead she bluntly addresses the personal issues that are common to anyone who has ever been in love.

Kaia Lynn Wilson branches off from Team Dresch with her solo album, *Kaia*. PHOTO CREDIT: TOMMY RAE CARLAND

Eating on the Main Line: Porta Rosa

By EMILY DITOMO
Entertainment Editor

Students on a quest to find authentic Italian cuisine have many options beyond restaurants located on Lancaster Avenue. One of these, Porto Rosa Ristorante, recently opened in Havertown.

According to the menu, this small, family-run restaurant prides itself on providing diners with traditional Sicilian dishes in a classic atmosphere.

Porto Rosa's menu is extensive, offering everything from old Italian favorites such as the veal parmigiana sandwich, to more elaborate dishes, like salmon grilled and marinated in salmoriglio, a sauce that blends olive oil, oregano, garlic and a touch of lemon. Diners can choose among homemade pasta dishes, risotti dishes, baked dishes, chicken dishes, veal dishes and seafood dishes to complete their meals.

Dinners are served quickly and portions are generous. For example, my risotto alla contadina (rice sauteed with boneless chicken breast and fresh mushrooms and carrots) was served on a huge platter and had to be shared among my fellow diners. Although I enjoyed my dinner, the rice was swimming in melted mozzarella (not noted on the menu). Also, my companions who ordered baked dishes, such as manicotti, were surprised to find more sauce than pasta on their plates.

Dessert and coffee are intregal parts of any Italian dinner, and Porto Rosa offers a full selection. Desserts include cannoli (vanilla, chocolate and cheese), homemade tiramisu, cheese cake, spumoni and tartufo. On the lighter side, the restaurant also serves three kinds of sorbetto: lemon, orange and peach. Coffee, espresso and cappuccino complete the dessert menu.

Although Porto Rosa provides diners with large portions and an extensive menu, some dinner choices prove disappointing. In the spaghetti with meatballs, for example, the meatballs taste as though they are made with too many breadcrumbs and fillers, and not enough meat. The sauce on the eggplant parmigiana, as well, drowns the entree with a bitter taste.

Prices at the restaurant are reasonable for the pasta and baked dishes, with the average cost being $8. However, more elaborate dishes, such as shrimp parmigiana (jumbo shrimp topped with mozzarella and marinara sauce over spaghetti) and flounder francese (egg-dipped flounder with a touch of lemon wine), run an average of $13.50 per entree.

With prices and food quality this variable, students may opt for some less expensive take-out items. These include chicken parmigiana, broccoli rappi and sausage and pizza steak sandwiches, along with some side order favorites, like mozzarella sticks, cheese fries, onion rings and chicken fingers. The average price of these is around $4.50, which is much more condusive to the typical college student's budget.

It looks as though the eternal search for food as good as grandma's has proven exhaustive once again. However, the next time the mood for take-out strikes you (remember, finals are only two weeks away), why not try Porto Rosa and draw your own culinary conclusions. The restaurant is located at 1254 West Chester Pike in Havertown. Call (610) 853-9330 for more information and directions.

Ring in the holiday season with "A Christmas Carol"

By KEITH MACCONNELL
Staff Reporter

"A Christmas Carol," presented by the Villanova Student Theater, kicked off the Christmas season here at Villanova as it opened last night in St. Mary's Chapel. The play is directed by senior Anne Chretean and represents the largest production put on by the theater group, with a cast of 21 student actors. G.T. Bynum stars as Scrooge and freshman Brandon Sutherland plays Jacob Marley, who doubles as narrator in this version of the play.

The interest in "A Christmas Carol" on the part of both actors and audience, as well as the increasing popularity of the student theater group, could be largely attributed to the work of senior Lisa Tomaszewski, the group's current president.

The group, which is only five years old,was struggling when Tomaszewski became president four years ago as a freshman. "It was intimidating at first but I slowly got a feel for what the university will help with and what the students get involved in. A group like this is important because it is different from the Vasey theater; students direct, act, produce and administrate all of the plays," said Tomaszewski. Since her election, the group has grown in size from only three members to its current size of 50 actors, producers and administrators.

In fact, "A Christmas Carol" represents the first time in four years that a student play has not been produced by Tomaszewski. Instead, vice president Jeff Barton will take over the reigns as producer. This shift represents a changing of the guard for the group and brings mixed emotions for Tomaszewski. "I know it's strong enough to continue but I still wish I could stay," said Tomaszewski.

The production of "A Christmas Carol" has been in the works since the summer whenTomaszewski contacted Chretean for the role as director: "I wanted to do something to bring more attention to the organization. Anne was very willing to direct for us and has done a fantastic job," said Tomaszewski. Auditions were held in September and rehearsals have been ongoing ever since.

The show continues tonight at 8 p.m. and tomorrow and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased for $4 at the Connelly Center or at the door. For more information about "A Christmas Carol" or about the student theater, contact Lisa Tomaszewski at 581-3574.

TOOL expresses raw energy

By DAVID VERICA
Entertainment Editor

Wow! It is not that often that music comes along and really gives listeners' audio taste-buds a wallop. But that is exactly what *Aenima*, the new release from the L.A. based band TOOL does.

If listeners like to feel the floor shaking in their room or feel the bass vibrate through the seat ofthei r cars, then they should buy this disc, put it in their player s and turn it up ridiculously loud. It will feel great- almost sinful.

This time around, the band, comprised of Maynard James on vocals, Dan Carey on drums, Adam Jones on guitar and Justin Chancellor on bass, has made a few changes. The most notable are the addition of Chancellor on " bottumfeeder" and of new producer David Bottril.

This is the third release from the band. Their first EP, *Opiate*, was released in 1992 and grabbed those that heard it and were lucky enough to see them live. Then, in 1993, they released *Undertow* and exposed the rest of the universe to the video for "Sober." The video still speaks for itself; it is alien and the band is alien.

So now, as MTV does its duty and bombards viewers with the newest video for "Stinkfist," the flocks of loyal followers will surely fall into file. Once again, the visual assault aids in luring listeners into the other-worldly arena that TOOL dwell within.

But enough of this banter, come on in. Enter the doorway and as Maynard suggests, "Relax. Turn around and take my hand." Indeed, as this music and the energy that it commandeers encroach, they possess the strength to transport listeners. Some listeners might not enjoy the journey, much less the destination, but others who are not afraid will surely enjoy the trip.

There are ten songs on the disc, interspersed with little intermittent segways possibly meant to bring listeners' heart rates back down to normal. Each has an identity of angst and cathartic exploration all its own. Yet , even in the apocalyptic title track there seems to be an undercurrent of benevolence as Maynard pleads, "Don't call me pessimist. Try to read between the lines. I can't imagine why you wouldn't welcome any change my friend." Yes, the singer means benevolence, even though the change he refers to is the collapse of California into the Pacific Ocean."46&2" could be addressing genetics, but the jury is still out on that one. "Hooker With A P********" could be talking to someone specifically, but honestly, it feels so invigorating that it does not matter.

There are many themes explored on this disc, from consumerism to baking. One predominant topic is that of lachrymology, the study of crying. The implication is that the road to the "greatest advancement" is through pain, both emotional and physical. TOOL sure seems to be quite well advanced by now. Their website explores this and many other topics in greater depth and can be reached at http://toolshed.down.net.

The dynamic range of sonic qualities in this CD is simultaneously bewildering and inspirational. Some of the sounds the band creates border upon the bounds of believability. Amazingly, they can be replicated live without missing a single beat. TOOL is just a band, but there have been few of this caliber. They encompass all mediums of expression, from Jones' video imagery to the mammoth audio attack of their recorded and live performances. As technology advances and we "Fret for (our) latte. . . and fret for (our) cable. . . and fret for (our) car. . .," we should contemplate TOOL's vision of the future, but with a big grain of salt.

Nonetheless, this record is a welcome assault that leaves listeners pleasantly de-sensitized and groping for more.

Virtual Reality becomes an actuality in Gibson's *Idoru*

By CRAIG HATLER
Staff Reporter

William Gibson is the science fiction author who has spawned a brand new subgenre in the writing of a single book. *Webster's New World Dictionary* now recognizes the word "cyberspace," meaning the realm of interconnected computers that spans the globe, as well as the term "cyberpunk," meaning an aficionado of the computer world.

Gibson defines these words in his novel *Neuromancer*, which won the Hugo, Nebula, and Philip K. Dick awards in 1984. In *Neuromancer*, humans interact with computers via "cyberdecks" and "neural interfaces" over an Internet-like dimension known as the Matrix.

In *Idoru*, Gibson uses a similar setting as that in *Neuromancer*, but with a few alterations.

Gibson opens his newest work in a way similar to the rest of his stories: by having some major disaster affecting a major city and turning it into a sprawling chaos full of danger. A great earthquake sets the scene for the opening of *Idoru*, in 21st century Tokyo.

The world is blanketed in unescapable light as huge skyscrapers "build themselves," unaided by human builders.

There are four main characters involved, three of whom are actual biological humans. Colin Laney is a freelancer who gathers information on the lives of various people. Chia McKenzie is out to rescue Rez, lead singer of the band Lo/Rez. Rez is rumored to be marrying Rei Toei, a beautiful holographic woman who is adored by millions. This woman is also known as the Idoru, or idol. The line between real and virtual become dimmed as Colin attempts to find out the true nature of the Idoru and how she will come to impact her world. And with his search comes danger.

Part of the problem with Gibson's work is that his genius is too caught up in his techno jargon (partly real and partly created by him). If the reader can get past that, the book should be enjoyable.

Although not as confusing as *Neuromancer* is, some may have trouble reading this book. But if readers are used to Gibson's style, then there should not be a problem. For those interested in any of his other works, Gibson also wrote the best-selling novels *Virtual Light, Count Zero, Mona Lisa Overdrive* and *Burning Chrome*.

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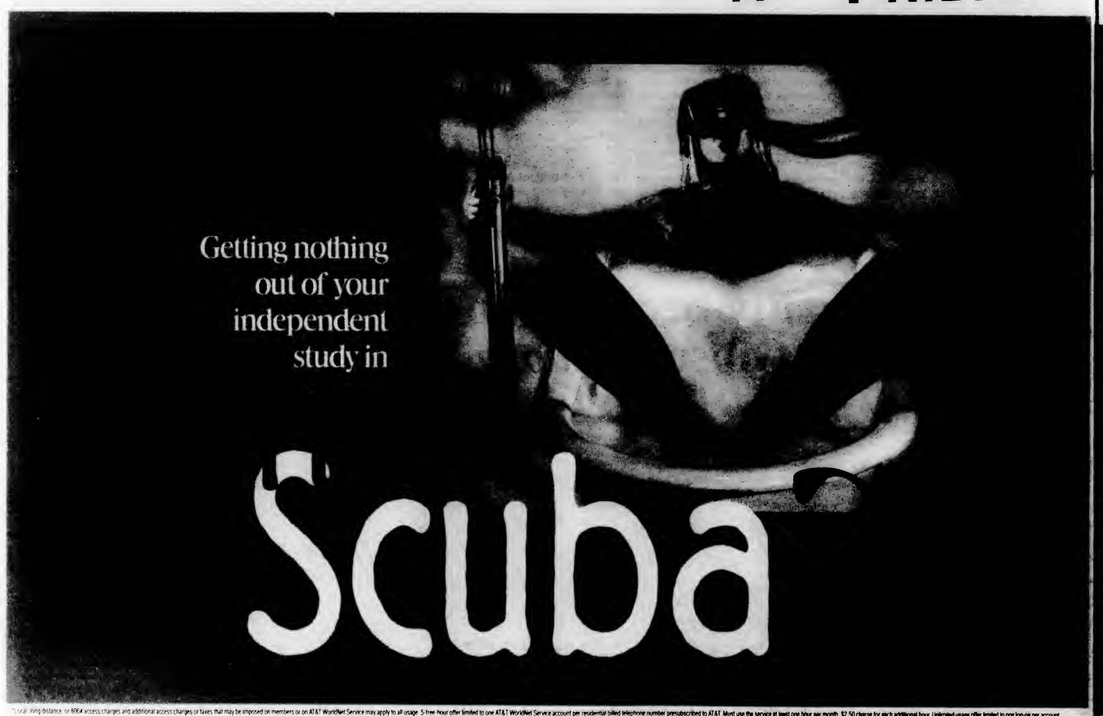

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The Villanovan's Athletes of the Week

Male
Jason Lawson
Basketball

Jason had quite a weekend for the Cats, as he was named MVP of the Puerto Rico Shootout and broke the Villanova record for career blocked shots. For good measure, he added 16 points, 13 boards and five blocks vs. Providence.

Female
Jenn Sliwa
Basketball

Jenn was named to the all-tournament team of DePaul's Thanksgiving Classic. In two games she collected 27 points and 17 rebounds.

Two 'Nova squads win City 6 titles

By JAMIE NOONAN
Assistant Sports Editor

With the recent cold weather and start of the basketball season many people may have forgotten that the City 6 Intramural Football Championships had yet to be decided. The Big 5 and Drexel participated in the championships that were played Nov. 21-25 at Villanova Stadium. Villanova did quite well, claiming two of the three championships.

Villanova's co-ed team, Hurricanc Fran, won their championship. In their first game the team faced a talented squad from St. Joe's. This game was action-packed with the score going back and forth throughout.

Tugger Perry scored for Hurricane Fran on a pass from Mike Noonan. Sarah Nusckke added another score when she caught a pass and made a nice run for the end zone. In the end Hurricane Fran was able to strike last and win 27-20. This win moved the team into the championship.

In the championship game the team faced Penn's entry. This team proved to be no match for Fran as she was able to storm over Penn. When the final damage estimates came in, Fran had demolished Penn 33-0.

The offensive barrage was led by Mary Semanchik who caught two touchdown passes. Perry added another touchdown on a long bomb. Steve Genzale made the best catch of the day; he literally was able to make a shoestring grab for a score. Franny Mikolajewski also played well contributing several keys receptions.

On the defensive side of the ball Angela Capron and Tom Shank played tremendous defense, contributing several sacks and some nice coverage to keep the game a shutout.

The other championship team for Villanova was the Thundering Herd. This is the same team that made it to the City 6 championship game last year, only to fall to this year's No. 1 team, Temple.

In a somewhat ironic twist the Herd had to face their old nemesis in the first round. The team played a great game with the defense playing extremely well, getting strong performances from Kevin Donahue and Topher Desmond.

The defense made several stands, not allowing Temple to move the ball beyond their twenty. Safety Mark Beeler made Temple pay when he picked off a pass. This set up the Herd's first score when Noonan ran in the first of his two touchdowns.

The teams other score occurred on the first play of the second half when Noonan hit Brian Hirko on a 65-yard bomb. This was it for the scoring as Villanova won, 20-6.

The next game pitted 'Nova against Drexel. Drexel's offense caused problems for the Herd, but they were able to step it up on a key extra point. With the game on the line the defense got a strong rush from Dave Scanlon and blocked a two-point attempt by Drexel to secure the 20-19 victory.

The championship game had Villanova playing Penn. This game proved to be just as close as the last one. Penn struck for the first two scores and led 12-0. The Herd seemed unfazed and moved the ball downfield.

With time running out in the first half Noonan hit Hirko in the back of the end zone. The extra point was a crucial play because Penn had missed both of theirs. Noonan found T.J. Jurevic in the end zone this time. This one point proved to be the difference.

The Herd scored in the second half when Beeler caught an eight-yard touchdown pass. A failed extra point left the score at 13-12.

With time running out and the game on the line the Herd defense had to make one last stand. Penn had driven all the way to the 10 yard line. On the last play of the game Penn's quarterback tried to find a reciever in the back of the end zone. Dave Fiore tipped the pass and Beeler made sure that the Penn reciever did not make the reception.

In the end the Thundering Herd had captured the championship 13-12. This victory qualified them for the National Flag Football Championships to be held in New Orleans, but the team will have to foot the bill themselves. So a trip to New Orleans looks unlikely.

With both of these victories Noonan made history. He became the first Villanova athlete to win two City 6 Championships in football in the same year.

Intramural Update

The volleyball league recently concluded its season with its annual playoffs. The men's league consisted of 16 teams while the women's and Co-ed leagues consisted of 7 and 12 teams, respectively. In the men's league, the Macherteros, 6 Pack O Natty, Team Sony and Minerva Raiders all advanced to the semi-finals, with the undefeated Macheteros (4-0) and Minerva's Raiders (3-1) vying for the championship. Macheteros proved their savvy by defeating the Raiders and once again winning the intramural title. In the co-ed league the City Sixers, Sophomore Sensations, Austin Airheads and the Freshmen played their way into the semi-finals. The two undefeated teams, the City Sixers and Austin Airheads, battled their way into the finals. The City Sixers ended the Austin Airheads' winning streak and took the intramural championship. In the women's final night of play, the undefeated and heavily favored ADPi team competed against the Top Guns. To the surprise of many, the Top Guns emerged victorious.

The Intramural basketball season kicked off with a 3-on-3 tournament on Nov. 20. Twenty-one men's teams and seven women's teams participated in the tournament. There were two different days of competition. The first was a round robin format in which each team was guaranteed at least three games. Based on the team's performance in the round robin, they were ranked for the final night in a single elimination tournament.

In the men's league, Goin Sizzla, Russian Army, Gang Green and Green Hornets advanced to the semi-finals. In the championship game, Russian Army, a team of Law School students, defeated Gang Green, a team consisting of freshman, by a score of 32-22. In the women's bracket, Stress, Foxfire, Fryars and VLSII advanced to the semis with Stress the victor over VLSII in the final game.

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KLICK'S CORNER

By JONATHAN KLICK
Senior Columnist

Leon Lett has given Philadelphia an early Christmas present. The all-pro defensive tackle who has been the major force in Dallas' league-leading defense has been suspended for one year for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy.

Despite the fact that any misfortune that befalls the Cowboys is likely to bring a grin to an Eagles fan, the Lett suspension is particularly sweet. With the Birds in a tie for the division lead with Dallas and Washington any bad news for Big D moves Philadelphia just a little bit closer to the home field advantage. Without the Big Cat shoring up the already depleted Cowboys line, it is doubtful Dallas will be able to take the Redskins in Washington with their potent running attack. No situation could be better for the Birds.

But more importantly, it's nice to see this fiasco blow up in Dallas owner Jerry Jones' face. Jones has fought the league for years over its right to handle players with drug problems. Jones believes it should be up to individual teams to discipline their players. Yeah right! Obviously Dallas has done a terrific job keeping its own personnel in line. When *COPS* wanted to film an episode in Dallas, the NFL asked for revenue sharing rights because so much of the show focused on the Cowboys. Also, given the record Barry Switzer had for integrity while he was in the college game, it's a wonder that the incidence of rapes, thefts, assaults and hooliganism hasn't jumped 200 percent since Coach Bubba rode into town.

It's funny that Dallas, the team with so many problems, is the only franchise complaining about the NFL's system. When running back Bam Morris tested positive for drugs, the Pittsburgh Steelers dropped him immediately without any prodding from the league. Obviously, Jones' idea of self-policing falls somewhat short of Pittsburgh's. The Cowboys are rivaled only by the New York Yankees in terms of employing the most junkies in all of professional sports. Then again, the Yanks won the World Series so maybe it's not such a bad personnel strategy.

Good luck to all Wildcats competing over the Holiday break.

A new season for Philly's historic Big 5

By STEPHEN HAUG
Senior Reporter

With the Cats set to begin city play on Tuesday versus Penn at the legendary Palestra, followed by a Holy War at DuPont Pavilion on Dec. 23, it is time to take a look at the how the historic Big Five is shaping up this season.

The league boasts two of the top teams in the country this year in 'Nova and Temple, while St. Joe's and LaSalle landed two of the top recruits in the country. Both, coincidently, played in the Philadelphia area. Maybe the most sought after recruit, however, in Philadelphia history, Kobe Bryant, turned down both Villanova and LaSalle and took off for the pros. Villanova, the league favorite, will try to win two Big Five games for the first time since 1992.

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Marc Jackson flashes the scowl that greets opponents who venture into the paint. Something tells us that Jason Lawson isn't scared.

Temple

The Owls have two things that they have not had in a while: depth and shooters. Power forward Marc Jackson (15.7 ppg, 9.0 rpg) is one of the top centers in the country and coach John Chaney's Owls have a zone defense that continually makes even the best players in the country look bad. This year, however, the Owls may be able hold opponents in the 50s and still win. Sophomore guard Rasheed Brokenborough, a proposition-48 casualty last year, will run the point and should provide steady play. Forwards Lynard Stewart and Huey Futch both averaged over seven points a contest last year and both can hit the trey.

It will be Chaney's recruiting class, however, ranked in the top 20 by most analysts, holding the key to this year's success. Six-foot-9 Lamont Barnes is a big-time banger and Julian Dunkley is lethal from beyond the arc, while Harrisburg native Quincey Wadley provides depth at both guard positions. If this trio can make some noise for the Owls, Temple could return to the glory days of Mark Macon and the Final Eight.

St. Joe's

The Hawks reached the championship game of the tournament last season, but it was the NIT, not the NCAA. Gone are big men Reggie Townsend and Will Johnson as well as floor leader Mark Bass. St. Joe's will need center Nemanja Petrovic, who experienced back trouble throughout last year, to be 100 percent. The Hawks will depend on guards Terrell Myers and Rashid Bey for the majority of their scoring. Senior forward Dmitri Domani is looking to bounce back after a disappointing season, and prop-48 casualty Robert Haskins will see significant minutes at both forward positions. Freshman Arthur "Yah" Davis, from nearby Frankford High School in Philadelphia, will be worth the price of admission. At 6-foot-5, he can play both shooting guard and small forward. The Hawks schedule includes Villanova, Duke, Tulsa and DePaul, so an NIT berth would be quite a feat.

LaSalle

The Explorers recruited hard for prep star Kobe Bryant and were given a legitimate shot at landing him, partly because his father, Joe Bryant, was an assistant coach at LaSalle. When Kobe left for the pros, so did his father, and the Explorers lost out twice. Overlooked in all the Bryant hoopla, however, was the signing of Donnie Carr out of national power Roman Catholic in Philadelphia. Carr, a top-50 player, will provide scoring and athleticism that LaSalle fans have not seen since Lionel Simmons. Point guard Shawn "Reds" Smith (8.9 ppg, 5.9 apg) showed promise last year and guard Mike Gizzi provides scoring (13.4 ppg) as well as much needed leadership. The Explorers, 6-24 last season, showed that they were overmatched in the Atlantic 10. However, with youngsters like Smith and Carr to build around, Coach Speedy Morris may pull off a major upset or two by the end of the season.

Pennsylvania

The Quakers string of 48-straight Ivy League wins and three NCAA appearances ended last season as the club was edged out by Princeton for the league crown. Penn returns three starters from last year's 17-10 club, but its two leading scorers, Ira Bowman and Tim Krug, have both graduated. The Quakers strength should be their guard play, with junior Garett Kreitz (9.0 ppg) and senior Fred Lyren (7.8 ppg, 4.5 rpg) providing scoring and experience. Highly-touted freshman Michael Jordan already has the name, and his dribble penetration made recruiters like him for more than just his famous moniker. Transfer George Mboya from Rice will provide an inside presence as well as athleticism, something that the club is lacking with the loss of Bowman. Sophomore Paul Romanczuk (6.2 ppg, 4.1 rpg) will be asked to take on more of the scoring inside and freshman Geoff Owens, at *6-foot-10, provides desperately* needed size and will be asked to contribute immediately. The Quakers' schedule includes all four other Big Five teams as well as a road game at Maryland. If the freshman can step up by mid-season, Penn can win the Ivy title.

Oddball opponents set sights on 'Nova

By DAVID STOUT
Assistant Sports Editor

As the holidays approach, the Cats will begin to dig up film on a number of unfamiliar, small-conference opponents that will be coming to the DuPont Pavilion over Christmas break to gain some national exposure against the highly-ranked Cats. You may not know much about these teams, but you can bet that they have these dates circled on their respective calendars.

The Mount St. Mary's Mountaineers are the first of two Northeast Conference opponents for the Cats this year. The Mountaineers make the trip from Emitsburg, Md. to Villanova on Dec. 21. Despite a disappointing finish, last season was a very successful one for Coach Jim Phelan's team. The Mountaineers finished 16-2 in conference en route to the regular season title and a 21-8 overall record, including a victory over nationally-ranked Georgia Tech. The regular season success did not carry into the postseason, however, as the Mount was beaten by Rider in the conference semi-final, and then was beaten by Illinois State in the first round of the NIT.

The graduation of the team's top two scorers makes this a rebuilding year with an expected middle-of-the-pack conference finish. The biggest area of concern is the backcourt. Guards Chris McGuthrie, the NEC player of the year, and All-NEC selection Riley Inge must be replaced. Senior Silas Cheung, an excellent shooter who averaged 9.4 points per game a year ago, is the team's best player and will occupy one of the guard spots. The other spot will probably be filled by sophomore Tony Hayden. The man in the middle is 6-foot-11 Gerben Van Dorpe. The other spots in the starting lineup are up for grabs, but 6-foot-7 freshman Rob Balgac, who scored 28 ppg last year, will most likely find himself in the starting five. Other newcomers of impact are 6-foot-8 center Newton Gayle, a transfer from Niagara, and freshman guard Irving Conwell. The Mountaineers will not see the success that they did in 1995-96, but they will surprise some people.

On Dec. 28 the Cats will host the Broncs of Rider University (Lawrenceville, N.J.). Rider, which plays in the Northeast Conference, finished with a 19-11 record last season. With the success of their young team a year ago, Coach Kevin Bannon's squad was expected to be a contender for the conference's automatic NCAA berth this year. These high expectations are now highly unlikely. During the summer it was announced that senior Charles Smith, arguably the league's premier player, has been dismissed from the team. Smith has been suspended for repeated violations of team rules. Smith, whose experience and talent will be sorely missed, averaged 21.1 ppg and 6.9 rebounds per game last year.

Without their star player, the Broncs will still be respectable and should finish somewhere between third and fifth in their conference. Sophomore Greg Burston will be asked to step up his scoring. Burston, a 6-foot-3 guard, averaged 9.9 ppg while shooting almost 40 percent from the three-point line. Fellow sophomore Bob Fisicaro, also 6-foot-3, will occupy the other guard spot. A trio of juniors comprise the frontline. Six-foot-8 center Kevin McPeck (8.2 ppg, 5.0 rpg) anchors the line. Dimitri Charles and Ray Touomou fill out the starting five. The Broncs welcometwo new players to the roster: junior college transfer Chris Stansel and 6-foot-9 freshman Ken Lacey.

The Broncs are sure to have good coaching, as Bannon owns an impressive 262-136 career mark, but the amount of success depends on how well the team reacts to not having their best player and leader.

Their Dec. 30 stop at the DuPont Pavillion is just one part of the challenging non-conference schedule that the UNC Wilmington Seahawks play this season. Others stops include UMass, Mississippi St., Alambama and Wisconsin. Coach Jerry Wainwright plays a difficult schedule to prepare his team for the Colonial Athletic Conference Tournament, which will determine whether or not his team has a postseason.

The schedule will be especially tough considering that the Seahawks lost their top two scorers and rebounders, Darren Moore and Preston McGriff, from last year's 13-16 team. Wainwright's teams are athletic and play defense; they were ranked fifth nationally in that category, holding opponents to an average of 58.4 ppg. Size, however, is a definite area of concern.

The tallest Seahawk is 6-foot-8 sophomore Michael Gibbs. For this team to be successful, a pair of sophomores who showed much promise last season are going to have to have tremendous years. Point guard Billy Donlon potentially could be an all-conference pick, while Stan Simmons came on strong at the end of the season making the CAA all-tournament team.

Other returning players include juniors Bill Mayhew (5.9 ppg, 4.2 rpg), Lamont Franklin (4.0 ppg, 3.0 apg) and sophomore Mark Byington (9.0 ppg, 2.7 rpg). All things considered, this figures to be a long season as the Seahawks will most likely finish near the bottom of their conference.

AP College Basketball Top 25

1. Kansas
2. Wake Forest
3. Utah
4. Cincinnati
5. **VILLANOVA**
6. Kentucky
7. Michigan
8. Indiana
9. Iowa State
10. Duke
11. New Mexico
12. Clemson
13. Fresno State
14. N. Carolina
15. Arizona
16. Minnesota
17. UCLA
18. Texas
19. Syracuse
20. Boston Coll.
21. Tulsa
22. Arkansas
23. Xavier
24. Stanford
25. Virginia

S P O R T S

Women edged by Stanford in national title bid

By DAVID STOUT
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The women's cross country team's bid for a seventh national championship fell just short. On Nov. 25 the women finished second in the NCAA Cross Country Championships held at the Dell Urich Municipal Golf Course in Tucson, Ariz. The Cats' finish marks its eighth straight top-three finish, including six consecutive championships from 1989-94.

Winning the championship was Stanford with 101 points. The difference between a national championship and a second place finish was literally a matter of seconds as 'Nova finished with 106 points. BYU, Colorado and Dartmouth rounded out the top five with scores of 136, 145 and 211, respectively. Defending champion Providence finished in seventh place, while fellow Big East-rival Georgetown took ninth place.

"You have to give it to Stanford; they are a strong team," said Head Coach John Marshall. "Our team is good enough to win, but Stanford was the better team that day."

As in every meet this season sophomore Kristine Jost led the Cats. Jost capped off a tremendous season by running the 5000 meter course in 17:29 to finish in fourth place. Marshall was impressed with the development of his top runner and will look for Jost to build on this year and improve even more next year.

"To go from finishing in the mid-20s as a freshman to fourth this year has to be the biggest jump in the nation," Marshall said of Jost's finish.

Sophomore Carrie Tollefson was just behind Jost in fifth place, crossing the line in 17:42. Senior Krestena Sullivan just missed a top-ten finish with a time of 17:59 to take 11th place. This was the first meet this season in which Sullivan did not finish in one of the top ten spots. Rounding out the scoring for 'Nova were freshman Carmen Douma, who captured 44th place in a time of 18:31, and sophomore Jurga Marcinkeviciute, who finished 81st in 18:58. Also running for Villanova were sophomore Sarah Brandy and freshman Tamieka Grizzle. Brandy finished 134th in 19:40 and Grizzle 155th in 20:07.

Stanford won the meet despite having only one top-ten finisher, sophomore Monal Chokshi placed tenth. The difference between the Cardinal and 'Nova was that Stanford's fifth runner crossed the line in 18:40 to capture 55th place in the meet, far ahead of the Cats's final scorer, Marcinkevicute in 81st. This proved to be what won them the championship.

Arizona sophomore Amy Skieresz won the meet with a time of 17:04, but her team finished in a distant sixth place. Defending champion Marie McMahon, a senior from Providence, ran a strong race to finish second in 17:20.

Despite entering the meet as the favorite to win, in no way should this second place finish be considered a disappointment. With such a young team, the Cats did not figure to be a contender for the national title this year, and the fact that they were a few seconds away from a championship is the result of much hard work.

"Back in September, coaches across the country talked about who they felt could win the national title," remembered Marshall. "Villanova wasn't even mentioned in the top seven. What they did out there today showed the tremendous spirit and dedication of the squad."

With only one its top-five runners graduating, Krestena Sullivan, and a pair of All-Americans in Jost and Tollefson returning, 'Nova will certainly be one of the schools that coaches are talking about next year.

Men finish 19th

By CHRIS MAIRS
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On Nov. 25 the Villanova men's cross country team finished in 19th place with 445 points in the NCAA Championships. The meet was held at the Dell Urich Municipal Golf Course in Tucson, Ariz. 'Nova ran against a very strong field which included perennial powers Arkansas, Stanford, Colorado and Nebraska. Among the Big East teams that ran were St. John's, Notre Dame and Providence. Stanford won the national championship, followed by Arkansas and Oregon.

After a victory the previous time out at the IC4A Championships, 'Nova came in confident that it would have a strong showing at nationals. The Cats did not fare as well as they had hoped. The first to cross the line for 'Nova was junior Gabriel Soto in 63rd place with a time of 32:22. Senior Stephen Howard and freshman Scott Tantino were the next finishers for the Cats. Howard placed 91st, while Tantino finished in 115th place. Freshman Cory Smith and sophomore Coulby Dunn rounded out the scoring for Villanova with 127th and 145th place finishes, respectively.

Although the finish at nationals may not have shown it, this was a very successful season for the Cats. Their IC4A Championship was called the upset of the year and the team will look to build on this year's successes next season. The Cats will miss captains Howard and Steve Mazur, but there is a solid nucleus that will benefit from the experience that they gained this season.

IceCats continue to struggle for much-needed wins

By JAMIE NOONAN
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Coming off two tough home losses, the ice hockey team looked to rebound with two road games. The IceCats wanted to play well because these were their last two games before the Thanksgiving holiday.

The team's first match-up was against Sacred Heart. Things did not go quite as well as the team had hoped. Sacred Heart was able to take a first period lead with two goals. This hurt because both goals came with under five minutes left in the period.

Things looked to be turning around in the second period when 'Nova struck for two goals of its own. Steve Cusato scored the first goal for Villanova seven minutes into the period. Six minutes later Bryan Gubbins took a Chris Rissmiller pass from behind the net and beat the goalie to the wide side. Just as the momentum seemed to be changing, the Pioneers were able to strike for two more goals of their own. Sacred Heart led 4-2 heading into the third.

Once again the IceCats charged back, scoring two third period goals less than two minutes apart courtesy of captain Kyle Capallo and Carl St. Pierre. With Sacred Heart having already scored once in the third, the lead stood at one as Sacred Heart was up 5-4.

The Wildcats attempt to come back fell short as the Pioneers were able to add two more goals and an empty-netter with time running out. In the end Sacred Heart won 8-4. Penalties hurt the team allowing Sacred Heart several good scoring chances. This marked the continuation of a disturbing trend, as penalties have hurt the team all season.

The team did not have much time to rest as they faced Iona the following day. Injury and illness hurt the IceCats as six players were out. Several had the flu and line-mates Gubbins and Rissmiller were out with a shoulder injury and torn medial collateral ligament, respectively. This meant a short bench and several new line combinations.

The Cats struck for one goal in each of the three periods. Captain Jon Jett scored first when a pass to the slot from behind the bet was perfect and he pounded the puck home. Jonathan Hughes was next when his shot from behind the net hit off the goalie's pads and deflected into the goal.

Heading into the third period the game was knotted at two. Iona struck first in the third taking a 3-2 lead. Things looked bleak as 'Nova was unable to score until late in the period when two Iona skaters were in the box serving penalties. The IceCats pulled their goalie giving them a six--on-three advantage.

After several face-offs in the Iona zone Capallo was able to win onc and kick the pass back to Hughes at the left point. With under 15 seconds left in the game he quickly passed the puck to a wide-open Tracy Moors. Moors was able to one-time the puck past the goalie, beating him through the five-hole with only nine seconds left in the game and tying the game at 3-3. This is how the game would end as neither team could score in the overtime period.

"It was a nice way to tie the game," commented Moors. "It was a great pass from Hughes, and I was lucky to beat their goalie. He played really well."

The tie upped the IceCats record to 4-5-1 on the season. The team played Army away on Tuesday night, but results were unavailable at press time. The team will play at Fairfield and Quinnipiac in the coming week.

PHOTO BY KARA GROBERT

Mark "Ginsburg the Goalie" brushes another one away. Ginsberg has been a stalwart between the pipes for the Cats all season.

Men's swimming

By MEGAN KING
Staff Reporter

In its only action before the Thanksgiving holiday, the men's swim team fell to Princeton in dual-meet competition, 152- 83. The Tigers captured nine of the 13 events to outswim the Wildcats.

Tom Tracey once again topped the scoreboard for Villanova, bringing home three first place finishes. He won the 200 Free in 1:41.74 and the 200 Back in 1:49.84, with teammate David Halko finishing fourth and Brian Finucane finishing fifth in the latter event in 2:01.61 and 2:03.71, respectively.

Along with Brian Finucane, Sal Suau and Jarad Lucan, Tracey's third first place came in the 400 Free relay in 3:10.74. Lucan came in second place in the 50 Free, one-hundredth of a second out of first, in 21.59. He also finished second in the 100 Free in 46.82. Joe Perez and John Proto finished one and two, respectively, in the 200 Breast with times of 2:20.84 and 2:21.38.

Other second-place finishers included Gus Membecla in the 200 IM (1:58.42) and the 400 Free relay team of Nathan Smith, Membecla, David Halko and Matt Montrasio (3:24.83). Montrasio also picked up a third-place finish in the grueling 1000 Free in a time of 9:55.01, while teammate Finucane finished fifth in 10:33.25.

Rounding out the rest of the scoring for the team were Perez, finishing fifth in 200 Fly, the sixth place 400 Medley relay of Halko, Proto, Smith and Tom Brennan, Brennan in the 200 and 500 Free, Perez in the 200 IM, Smith in the 200 fly and Suau in the 100 Free.

In diving action, Robert Benson placed fourth in the one-meter competition, finishing with 207.75 points. In the three-meter competition, Benson placed fourth with 224.70 points and freshman Bryan Murray dove into fifth place with 179.55 points.

The team's record now stands at 1-3 in dual meet match-ups, and it will hope to add to the win column as it travels to Virginia this weekend for an invitational meet.

Princeton Tigers find a way to tame the Lady Cats, despite strong performances

By MICHELE ANGELACCIO
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On Nov. 23 the Villanova women's swimming and diving team traveled to Princeton University to battle the untamed Tigers. Although great attempts were made by all swimmers, the Lady Cats fell short, losing 124.5-118.5.

Even though the team lost, it did turn in some stellar individual performances.

The Wildcats captured top honors in all five 200-meter events. Sophomore Kristin Stretanski placed first in the 200 Free in 1:53.08. Sophomore Nichole Robillard captured the 200 IM in 2:10.93. In the 200 Back freshman Julie Lapinsky and sophomore Jackie Gruters finished in first and second places in 2:05.64 and 2:07.30, respectively. Finally, Junior Anne-Marie Sosnowski captured the 200 Breast in 2:19.95, seven seconds ahead of her trailing opponents. This year's performances in the 200-meter events have been strong in every meet.

In another short event, the 100 Free, Stretanski and sophomore Liz Lauwaert placed first and second in 53.30 and 54.00, respectively.

The Lady Cats also placed well in the long events. Junior Amanda Cosman took top honors in the 500 Free in 5:02.36. Freshman Keri Thorne placed second in the 100 Free in 10:25.01.

The Lady Cats also swept the relay events. The 400 relay, composed of Gruters, Sosnowski, Lauwaert and Lapinsky, took top honors in 3:55.55. The 400 Free relay, consisting of Robillard, Cosman, Adams and Stretanski, also finished first in 3:34.98.

"A better finish in any one event could have turned this meet in favor of Villanova," stated Head Coach Ed Bartsch. "The team was a bit tired coming off the Georgia Invitational."

Along with the swimming events, there were also diving events. Sophomore Tibby Fogarty took second honors in the 3-meter dive, while sophomore Meilyn Ruiz claimed third place in the 1-meter competition.

The Wildcats are now looking to capture a first-place finish this weekend at the UVA Double Dual Invite. They will compete against Harvard, Florida State and host Virginia.

S P O R T S

Villanova undefeated in Shootout in Puerto Rico

By MARC ANGELACCIO
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It may have taken the Wildcats the better part of three games to get on track, but once they did, they finally began to play like the No. 5 team in the nation. After spending a weekend in Bayamon, Puerto Rico for the Puerto Rico Shootout, the Wildcats returned with a perfect 3-0 record.

The Wildcats clinched the Shootout with a decisive 85-70 win over the Tulane Green Wave on Sunday at the Eugene Guerra Sport Complex in front of only 500 people. The contest, however, was closer than the 15-point margin might indicate, as for much of the first half the Wave stayed within a couple baskets of the Wildcats. In fact, Tulane even led by four points early in the first frame.

As was the case in the first two games, the Wildcats did not shoot well from the outside in the first half. They made only a handful of shots outside of six feet and no player made more than one three-pointer for the game.

If it was not for the inside play of Jason Lawson and Tim Thomas early, the Cats might have found themselves in a hole after the first 20 minutes. Lawson had his best game of the short season, collecting 21 points on 9-of-12 shooting. He also had six rebounds and four blocks.

Freshman Thomas showed his capabilities at the collegiate level, collecting 21 points (9-of-17) and seven rebounds.

Thomas, with a monstrous dunk, also helped start a 9-1 run that gave 'Nova a 33-24 lead in the last few minutes of the first half. Howard Brown started the highlight clip when he rebounded a Tulane shot, dribbled out to the left sideline and passed to Thomas in the frontcourt. Thomas took the pass, spun right, drove to the basket, was fouled on a feeble attempt by Tulane center Lawrence Nelson and threw down the ball. Thomas made his foul shot and from then on the Cats cruised, scoring 73 points in the next 28 minutes.

"I saw him wide open, I threw it and I knew it would be showtime after that," Brown said of his teammate's dunk. "I'd give him a '10' if I was one of the judges."

"I would say I had a lot of hang time, but that was pretty much it," said Thomas.

"It was pretty awesome, I'd have to say myself," remarked Head Coach Steve Lappas.

After the run to close out the first half, Villanova continued to dominate in the second half, shooting 70 percent from the field. Villanova extended their lead to as much as 26 points, as Tulane did not pose much of a threat.

Point guard Alvin Williams collected 13 points on 5-of-7 shooting and grabbed five rebounds. Villanova also received contributions from Chuck Kornegay (10 rebounds), Howard Brown (10 points), John Celestand (7 points) and Brian Lynch (5 points). For their efforts, both Thomas and Williams made the All-Shootout team. Lawson was named the Shootout MVP. He also set the Villanova record for career blocked shots against Butler.

Even though the Wildcats had an easy time with the Green Wave, they struggled in their first two outings of the season.

In its first matchup against Division II American University of Puerto Rico, Villanova struggled throughout the game, shooting 7-for-37 in the first half and only 37 percent for the game. Puerto Rico stayed with the Cats throughout the game, and even led for a good amount of time. The Wildcats had to make a run late in the contest to ensure the 68-62 victory.

Williams led all scorers with 20 points while Lawson collected 14 points and 16 rebounds, 12 of them off the defensive glass.

Many of the woes that occurred in the first game continued in the second game against Butler. The Wildcats struggled in their motion offense, which often bogged down throughout the tournament when the perimeter players weren't hitting from outside. Villanova also committed a season-high 20 turnovers against Butler.

Williams once again fueled the Wildcat offense, collecting 17 points. Kornegay chipped in nine points and 11 boards while Lawson and Thomas each had eight points. It was Villanova's defense, which played solidly throughout the Shootout, that allowed the Wildcats to come away with the 62-54 victory against Butler.

"Getting three games in three days, it was a good experience early on," Lawson said. "We learned a lot about ourselves. Offensively, we need to set more screens for each other and run our motion a little bit better. Defensively, we need to keep people out of the lane, make them kick it out."

FILE PHOTO

Jason Lawson had an outstanding three games in Puerto Rico--he was named tournament MVP and broke the school's blocked shot record.

Women open with a split in the Windy City

By DON MEIER
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The women's basketball team opened its season this past weekend by traveling to the Windy City of Chicago for DePaul's Thanksgiving Invitational. The team performed surprisingly well, finishing second after a win over Alcorn State and a tough loss to nationally-ranked DePaul. The weekend was definitely a promising start for the talented but inexperienced squad.

"I'm proud of the way they played," said Head Coach Harry Perretta. "I thought that we got better. We started to understand a little bit more what we have to do."

The Cats had a relatively easy time with Alcorn State in their season opener on Nov. 30, emerging on the victorious end of a 51-41 decision despite shooting only 35 percent from the field. Sophomore forward Jenn Sliwa was the game's leading scorer, collecting 21 points on 9-of-20 shooting while also grabbing nine rebounds. For her collective efforts in the two games she was named to the all-tournament team.

"Sliwa played very well," said Perretta. "The first game she played unbelievable."

Shanette Lee was also very impressive at the point for the Wildcats, showcasing her all-around talents. She scored four points, dished out nine assists and reigned in seven rebounds.

"The stats don't show it," said Perretta referring to Lee's point total, "but Shanette Lee had a great tournament."

Freshman Jenea Skeeters provided a preview of things to come by scoring 12 points in the first game on 6-of-11 shooting. Two other freshmen, Lauren Pellicane and Megan Stewart, also saw significant time and scored four and two points, respectively.

The Cats got solid inside play and senior leadership from senior Beth Anne Bradshaw. While she only scored six points, her coach feels that her most important contributions do not appear in the boxscore.

"[Bradshaw] played a good, solid center position for us," Perretta said. "She didn't do anything spectacular, but she was steady, which we need. She's the only senior that's playing, so she needs to be steady to help the younger kids."

The Cats headed into their matchup with DePaul, ranked No. 15 in the coaches' poll, as a clear-cut underdog. They lived down to expectations in the first half, as they played scared and headed to the locker room in a 10-point hole, 35-25. There did not seem to be any reason to believe that the Cats would claw their way back into the game.

"We played a poor first half," said Perretta. "We turned the ball over 15 times, after only turning the ball over 13 times the entire first game. I thought that maybe in the second half we would fall apart a little bit more, because at that point we were on the verge."

This was not how it turned out for the Cats. They came out and made a game of it, pushing the host team and even taking the lead late in the second half before falling, 66-61.

The most impressive performance was turned in by Skeeters, who scored 18 points on 7-of-9 shooting in 31 minutes. Perretta was not at all surprised by the talented freshman's coming-out party against DePaul.

"Nothing shocks me from the offensive point of view with her," Perretta said. "She's capable of getting 30 in games as a freshman because she shoots such a high field goal percentage and she's able to get her shot off quickly.

"In our offense we can generate some open shots for her. She needs to improve her defensive skills and she also needs to learn the system a little bit better, but if she gets off 15 shots in a game, it doesn't shock me if she makes about 12 of them."

Sliwa capped her all-tournament efforts against DePaul with six points and eight rebounds. She did not fill the score sheet the way that she did against Alcorn State, but it was still a noticeably strong effort.

"She played a great overall game," Perretta commented.

Lee had another strong outing against DePaul, garnering near triple-double numbers with nine points, nine rebounds and eight assists. Pellicane provided a great deal of scoring punch off the bench with 10 points in only 14 minutes. Shannon Ferretti chipped in with four points and Jenn Beisel had three.

Perretta was satisfied with the second half effort, despite the loss.

"We came out in the second half and ran a couple of good set offenses and I think we got some confidence," Perretta said. "Confidence does a lot of things for you--especially for a young team. I was surprised at the fact that they were able to bounce back and get themselves back on track again. Usually a young team isn't able to do that. That's an encouraging thing to see."

The coach of a team that plays almost all freshmen and sophomores knows, however, that there are rough times ahead.

"I thought the team as a whole pulled together pretty well," Perretta observed. "But a young team is going to be funny, they can fool you a little bit. They can play extremely well one day, and poorly the next day.

"Practice doesn't help this team as much as the games are going to help them," Perretta continued. "We need to play more games. I don't know how quickly we'll get it, but over the weekend I thought we made some strides forward."

Perretta will have a chance to get his team back on the floor this week with three Big 5 games on tap. The team will play at St. Joe's on Sunday before opening their home season at the DuPont Pavilion on Thursday night against Temple at 7:30. LaSalle will follow on Saturday at 2:00.

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The Cats' Jenn Sliwa earned all-tournament recognition in DePaul's Thanksgiving Tournament.

S P O R T S

Thomas, Wildcats fry Providence

By JON NEHLSEN
Senior Reporter

If Tim Thomas had any jitters about playing his first official home game Wednesday night, they were soon erased. The freshman erupted for 29 points and nine rebounds in front of a raucous duPont Pavilion crowd as the Cats leaped over the Providence Friars, 75-64.

"Basically, I was just trying to go out there and help the team win," said Thomas. "I had a lot of open shots and I just took advantage of everything they were giving me."

Indeed, he did. The Friars had no answer to the athletic newcomer as he frustrated forward Derrick Brown the entire game.

"I was disappointed that we didn't play better," said Providence coach Pete Gillen. "The fact that we were in somewhat striking distance for most of the game is a little encouraging for us. But we didn't do a lot of things right."

"We didn't defend well. Tim Thomas did anything he wanted."

Alvin Williams opened up the scoring on the Wildcats' second possession when he took a Jason Lawson pass in for a layup. The senior point guard nailed a 17-footer two possessions later and the Lawson-Thomas-Williams triumvirate never looked back.

"We were very happy with the way we played, especially on the defensive end," said an unusually jovial Coach Lappas. "I think offensively we'll get it in gear at some point, certainly no yet. But I think a lot of teams are not in synch right now."

Providence had plenty of chances to come back midway through the first half when the Wildcats scored just two points in a four minute stretch. Making matters worse for the Wildcats were Jason Lawson's two offensive fouls on consecutive possessions.

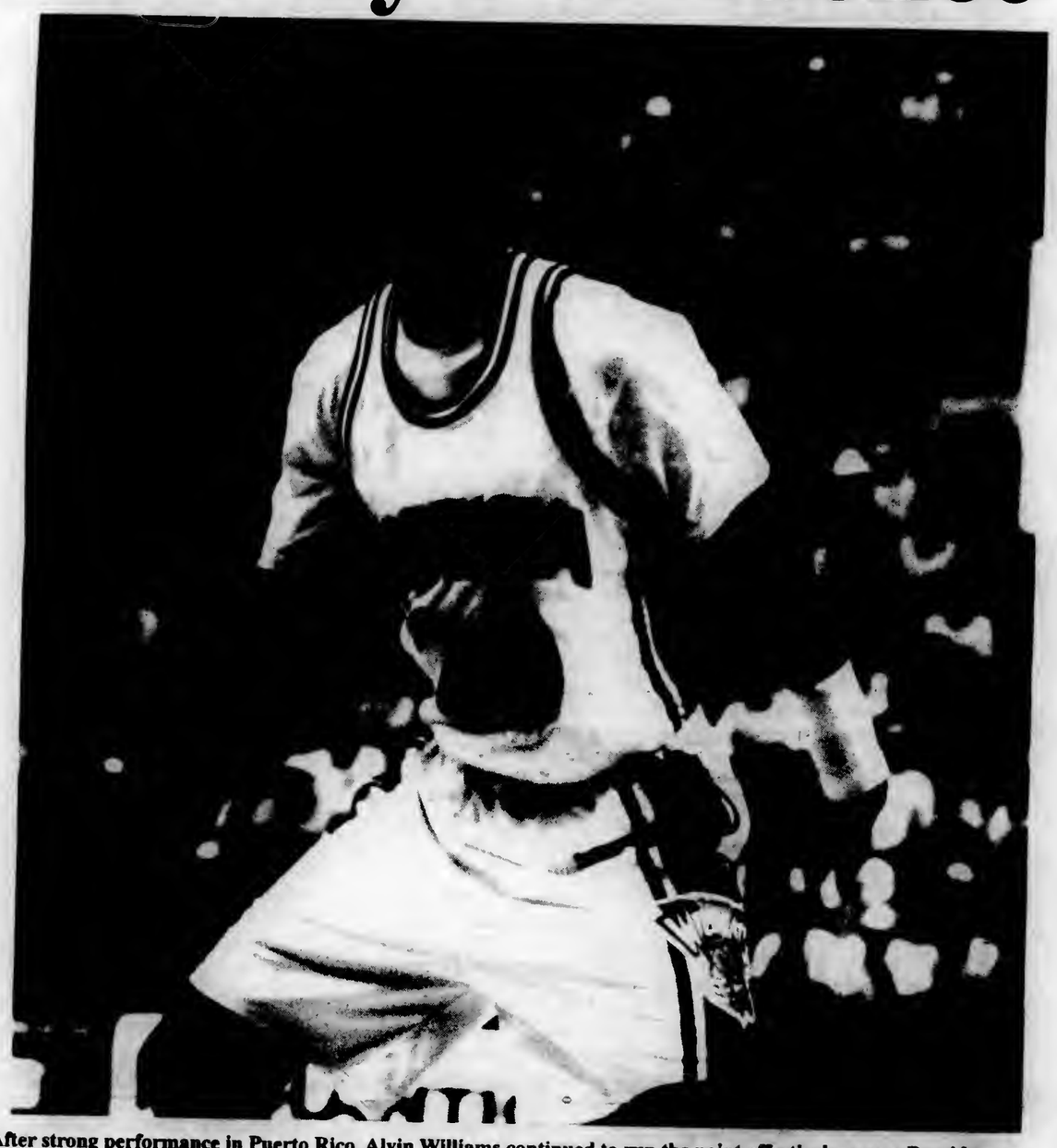
But the Friars, who shot a dismal 30 percent in the half were unable to capitalize. Each time they would start to claw at the Cats' lead, Tim Thomas would hit a jumper, make a steal or grab a key rebound. The half ended after a John Celestand steal and an Alvin Williams assist that put the Cats up 32-24.

When the game resumed in the second half, it was Jason Lawson's turn. The senior tipped in a missed Chuck Kornegay foul shot and soon followed with a baby hook shot. Then Providence's Jamel Thomas, who sat out the first 10 minutes of the game for missing a team study hall, followed with a three-pointer to keep the Friars alive. The Villanova interior defense then seemed to fall asleep for a spell as Austin Croshere and Ruben Garces scored several buckets in the lane.

But Lawson would not be denied. He blocked Ruben Graves layup attempt, buried a 15-foot jumper and blocked another shot. Finally, the senior center put back a missed Howard Brown foul shot to complete the run.

The most telling aspect of the game for Lawson was not his 16 points, 13 rebounds or even his five blocked shots. His best moment came with 57 seconds remaining in the game when he fouled Derrick Brown and Brown tried to instigate a fight. Despite Brown's insistence, Lawson would not be taunted. If this is a harbinger of some new-found poise and composure for Lawson, Big East centers will be in for a tough season.

On the game, the Wildcats outrebounded Providence by a 51-37 margin. Reserve forward Malik Allen chipped on with seven boards in 15 minutes.



After strong performance in Puerto Rico, Alvin Williams continued to run the point effectively versus Providence.

'Nova unable to get past Buccaneers in first round

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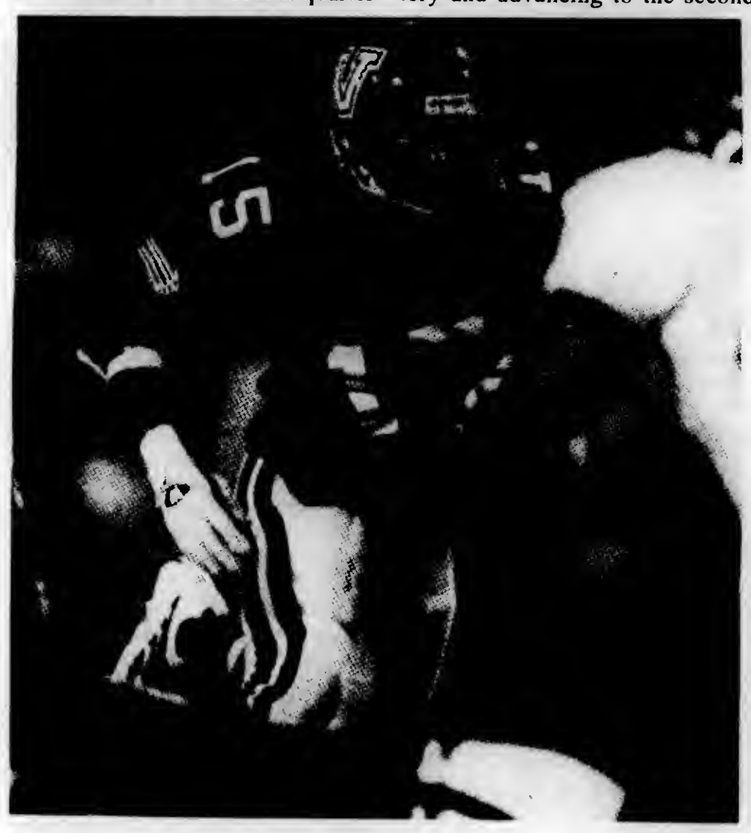
The Wildcats traveled to Johnson City, Tenn. on Nov. 30 and gave the No. 6 seeded East Tennessee State Buccaneers a fight in the first round of the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs. After trailing by 25 points at the end of the first half, the Wildcats stormed back to within two in the third quarter and mounted a late fourth-quarter drive to try to take the lead, only to fall literally inches short.

The late Wildcat rally, along with their season, ended on East Tennessee State's 37-yard line after quarterback Clint Park completed a fourth and eight pass to running back Curtis Sifford, who ended up less than a yard short of the first down. The Buccaneers then ran out the remaining 2:46 off the clock, clinching a 35-29 victory and advancing to the second round of the playoffs.



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Curtis Sifford had a strong game in Villanova's tourney loss, amassing 133 yards on the ground.

"We were in foreign territory and wanted to give a good account of ourselves and our league," said Head Coach Andy Talley. "I think we did that."

Villanova did not start the game with Talley's goal in mind, as the first half was marked by numerous miscues and poor execution on both sides of the ball. The Wildcats allowed East Tennessee State to score on four of its first six possessions of the game, including a 13-play, 80-yard drive culminating in a touchdown to open the contest. The Buccaneers would score two more times to take a 21-3 lead early in the second quarter.

The third touchdown was a trick play that caught 'Nova's defense off guard. Eastern State quarterback Greg Ryan threw a lateral to wideout Greg Johnson, drawing in Villanova defenders. Johnson, however, took the lateral and threw a 35-yard pass to a streaking teammate for the score.

Leading by 18 points with half a quarter to go before halftime, ETSU was not yet finished scoring, as it would go on to score again, this time off of a Villanova turnover. After receiving the ball on their own 20-yard line following a kickoff, the Wildcats advanced to their own 32 where Sifford fumbled the ball and the Buccaneers recovered. The Bucs would then go on a six-play, 35-yard drive leading to a TD, giving them a 28-3 lead with 2:57 remaining in the half. Villanova would add a field goal to cut the lead to 28-6 going into the locker room.

"The biggest thing we wanted to do was stick with our game plan," remarked Talley of the early deficit. "It would have been easy to come back and be pass-happy, but we didn't do that."

Villanova came onto the field after the intermission and would dominate for much of the second half, scoring three third-quarter touchdowns on three consecutive possessions. The Cats took the kickoff and marched 85 yards in 12 plays for a touchdown, a one-yard run by Anthony Cowsette. The Cats' special teams then smothered an East Tennessee fake punt attempt. The offense then marched 45 yards for another TD, this time a 7-yard scamper by Cowsette.

Scoring Summary

First Quarter

ETS Johnson 3 pass from Ryan (Chapman kick)

ETS Walker 1 run (Chapman kick)

Second Quarter

VU Kiefer 27 field goal

ETS Stringfield 35 pass from Johnson (Chapman kick)

ETS Stringfield 14 pass from Ryan (Chapman kick)

VU Kiefer 42 field goal

Third Quarter

VU Cowsette 1 run (Kiefer kick)

VU Cowsette 7 run (Kiefer kick)

VU Cowsette 2 run (conversion failed)

Fourth Quarter

ETS Johnson 22 pass from Ryan (Chapman kick)

VU Kiefer 38 field goal

On the second play of the Bucs' next possession, freshman Ryan Knight sacked ETSU quarterback Ryan and forced him to fumble the ball, which was recovered by David Heckard at the Bucs' 2-yard line. Cowsette once again got the call and tallied his and the team's third touchdown of the quarter. Sifford, however, was stuffed on the two-point conversion attempt, keeping the score at 28-26.

East Tennessee State added a decisive touchdown to start the fourth quarter, as Villanova was only able to cut the lead to 35-29 at the 8:21 mark after Mark Kiefer hit his third field goal of the day, a 38-yarder. Villanova would regain possession with a little over six minutes left in the contest, only to be stopped short.

The team as a whole played much more comfortably in the second half. Villanova's running game, however, was the focus of the team's drastic turnaround. After struggling in the first half, the combination of senior fullback Cowsette and tailback Sifford carried the load in the second half. Sifford wound up with 133 yards on 24 carries after having a net of minus two yards in the first half. Cowsette was automatic near the goal line, scoring three touchdowns on short runs.

Quarterback Park struggled with an aggressive ETSU defense, as his numbers--12-for-30 for 123 yards, no touchdowns and one interception--were down from his usual standards. Much of his struggling, however, can be attributed to missing his main target, wideout Brian Finneran, who did not play because of a knee injury.

For the year, the Wildcats finished at 8-4 while East Tenessee improved to 10-2 and will advance to the quarterfinal game at top-seeded Montana.

The Wildcats' loss marked their fourth in the first round of the playoffs since 1989. Considering, however, that the Cats won only five games a year ago, making the playoffs for the first time since 1992 was a marked improvement.

"We had three down years at Villanova, and it was important to us to make the playoffs," concluded Talley.